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## A £100k winner



**WINNER:** 73-year-old, Elfriede Bliss who scooped an amazing £100k win on a Lottery scratchcard she bought on her way home from work

BY LAWRENCE JOHN  
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Bliss by name and now for life after a lucky 73-year-old from Barton Seagrave scooped £100,000 on Lottery scratchcard win.

Elfriede Bliss who is a cleaner at Weetabix turned a £2 scratchcard into £6 by winning and then bought three more cards one of which was a £100k winner.

But life for this winner is not about to change as Freida is not going to quit her job at Weetabix.

She said: "When I won I was

very calm but now it is beginning to sink in.

"When I won I only told one or two people but now the whole of Weetabix knows.

"When I spoke to my husband Peter, he asked me if I really wanted to stop work, I said I did not and have decided to carry on.

"The first thing I am going to buy is a new cooker. I hate the one I have. The electrics went wrong in the outhouse on Christmas Day. They have been fixed but I still want a new cooker."

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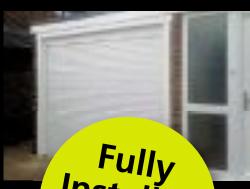


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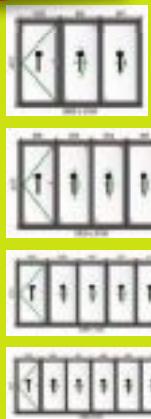


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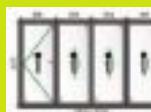


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Here is a picture sent in by an angry reader of two cars parked in Northampton opposite zig zag lines

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Where is your favourite spot in the world?

Home. I like being home as it is where I feel comfortable.

What was the last thing you lost?

I recently lost a watch I bought. I cannot find it anywhere.

Did you have a nickname?

No. I have never liked the name Paul and my second name is James so Jim would be ok for a nickname.

What was the last book you read?

It was by Jon Ronson and was about people being shamed for what they had done on social media



What was the last film you watched?

That would be Pride.

When was the last time you cried?

It would have been watching Pride which was very emotional

What was the name of your teddy bear?

I did not have a teddy bear. My sister had a teddy bear.

If Citizen Kane had Rosebud what would be your equivalent?

It would be a toy dog I could push around as a child. The only thing I have from my childhood



What would it take to make us gamble on boat journey?

Thanks to various memories I imagine the Mediterranean Sea to be as calm as a pond. I imagine it in dazzling sunlight with a quiet bar just a lazy walk away. It has become an accessible paradise for British holidaymakers discovering how a hot climate can change your outlook on life for a fortnight.

I've stood on Mediterranean beaches and thought: "Africa is that way..."

Now the thought of hundreds of bodies bobbing in that holiday water where we laugh, paddle, jetski and top up our tans feels like a grotesque wake up call.

We've been living in a relatively peaceful, relatively prosperous, European bubble and thousands of desperate people are throwing themselves at it to get in.

Desperate people is a phrase that trips off the tongue lightly but consider what it means in this case. How bad would things have to get before you decided migration in an overcrowded open boat with nothing but the clothes you're standing up in was a risk worth taking?

Who among your friends and family would tell you to jump aboard, knowing thousands have died ...

You probably wouldn't do it if you had any kind of home to call your own. You probably wouldn't do it if you could earn a living where you were. Let's face it, you wouldn't do it if you could support yourself by criminal means. Who among your family and friends would tell you to jump aboard, knowing that thousands haven't survived the trip?

If we are running the UK correctly, none of us should be able to understand the desperation of the people trying to get into Europe because it has been centuries since British people experienced lives like theirs. We think we live in hard times but we still have so very much more than they do.

We are going to debate what we do about this now and somehow, ludicrously, there will be an assumption that for us to help these people we must take things away from the poor people of our own country. There will be less to go round, underfunded services won't cope if we commit resources to helping. Making a

Steve Scoles

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Remains found

Remains have been discovered at the site of the former Northampton railway station. British Transport Police sealed off the site on Monday after the discovery. A forensic examination the next day found that the remains are not human.

## Football tribute

A football tournament in memory of Northampton student Robbie Warner - who died earlier this year - is being held on April 22 at the town's university. The event is organised by the uni's Stallions Men's FC, who Robbie played for.

## Fatal collision

A 61-year-old woman has died after being hit by a car on the A508 in Northants. The collision, which happened last Wednesday night, involved a Vauxhall Astra between Pitsford and Kingsthorpe.

## Royal approval

An aspiring hat maker from Northampton College has won an international competition to work for the Duchess of Cambridge's hat designer. Melissa Mehrnts, 17, will get a work experience placement with Rachel Trevor Morgan.

## School places

Around 8,000 children out of 9,000 applicants in Northants have discovered they have been allocated their first primary school place for September 2015. 266 children did not get a place at any of their three preferred schools.



ALL SMILES: Becky is interviewed about her audition on ITV's This Morning show

# BGT star Becky wows nation

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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Eleven million people tuned in to watch a Northampton mum-of-five sing her heart out on Britain's Got Talent.

Becky O'Brien, 34, who used to run Follies Theatre School in the town, wowed the nation last Saturday night on the ITV talent show with her touching rendition of Somewhere Over the Rainbow.

Her spine-tingling voice swept the audience up on their feet in standing ovation, and even left

judge Simon Cowell feeling emotional and choked up.

But before her audition, she bravely opened her heart on stage and spoke out about being a former victim of horrendous domestic abuse - one which saw her being assaulted by her husband in hospital just three days after giving birth to their premature twins in 2010.

But on Saturday, she said she was over that now and ready to chase her dream.

After her performance, Simon Cowell said: "Wow. I was not expect-

ing that. Your voice is so beautiful, so authentic. It was just so emotional."

Becky, who now lives in London working as a teacher after leaving Northampton in 2012, was given four yeses and put through to the next round.

She later told the H&P: "It has been a crazy few days. The reaction has been so overwhelming.

"I was so worried that the judges would buzz me, but when I saw everyone on their feet at the end,

"I was gobsmacked. It was amazing."

Full interview online.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Saintly beer

A beer brewed by Northampton Saints legend Brian Mujati will be among the 60 beers at next weekend's Towcester Beer Festival.

Brian – or Mooj as he was known in his days at Franklins Gardens – is fanatical about brewing and beer.

The beer festival will be held at Towcestersians RFC in Greens Norton Road, Towcester.

## Choir's new CD

The Choir of St Matthew's Church has announced it will release of its latest CD 'O How Glorious' on Sunday, April 26, at 7.30pm.

St Matthew's Parish Church is a large, Gothic-inspired building set within the Kingsley district of Northampton, with a long and distinguished association with music and the arts.

## Chamber calls

Businesses in Northamptonshire are being encouraged to showcase their achievements and successes by entering the Chamber Awards 2015.

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# Glitz and glam of the BTCC

Reporter Lawrence John gets up close and personal to find out what race day is like at the world famous Donington Park



TOURING: BTCC driver Matt Neal from the Honda Yuasa Racing team

The glitz and glamour and the high octane excitement of the British Touring Car Championship was at Donington Park last weekend.

It is a coming together of a 'racing family' who go along to each of the races around the country during the season.

As one of the drivers, Matt Neal (Honda Yuasa Racing) explained there is banter but for some it does get 'tribal' as each set of fans get behind their team and their favourite driver.

I went along to my first ever BTCC event to see what it is all about and what happens at these events.

Looking back at my arrival in the car park and seeing the fans walking towards the circuit wearing team colours and jackets I could understand what he meant.

There is a definite passion for each team but from what I saw that is no more than normal and healthy amongst a racing family.

An array of people attend a BTCC championship race and Sunday was no exception.

Here are the different people asso-



ciated with the racing I met on my day out at Donington Park.

Alex Drinkwater, 17 and his sister Nicole Drinkwater, 14, are two of the youngest British Motorsport Marshals.

Alex got started as his dad did it and he wanted to get involved and this lead to his sister wanting to follow in this family tradition.

He said: "I enjoy it as it means you are close to the cars and the drivers.

"It is a special feeling and I love the sounds and the smell of race day.

"This would be the smell of petrol and rubber and the noise of the cars racing.

"I am what is termed a specialist as I am one of the team in charge of pit lane and paddock assembly."

BTCC driver Matt Neal who drives for the Honda Yuasa Racing team said: "I have always been competitive and it is this me verses everyone else I enjoy.

"It is this competitive side of touring cars which I like. To see how many people come along to the races is a surprise. It is great to see so many and that they have such good access to everyone. You will get fans who are tribal as they are for one driver or another but that is racing.

The way the regulations work now no driver can run away with the title as they can in F1. Everyone is under pressure and this means interesting racing.

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# Top 5

## Lunch spots to dine at in Northamptonshire

Here are the best lunch spots in the county according to review site Trip Advisor...

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**Kafe Bloc (Kettering):** This quirky cafe is located in the town's cultural quarter and offers hot and cold food as well as home-made cakes and daily specials. It is rated 8 of 1,021 restaurants in Northants and is 1 of 128 restaurants in Kettering.



2

**Eat Saigon (Northampton):** This Vietnamese eatery in the town centre offers all the traditional dishes as well as offering customers the opportunity to add their favourites to the menu. It is rated 9 of 1,021 restaurants in Northants and 4 of 389 in Northampton.



3

**The Exotic Dining (Kettering):** Voted Spice Restaurant of 2014/15 at Carlsberg Food Awards, this eatery offers 'Nouvelle cuisine of Indian and Fusion'. Rated 11 of 1,021 restaurants in Northants and 2 of 128 in Kettering.



4

**The Courtyard Cafe (Daventry):** Voted independent tea room of 2013/14 at Carlsberg Food Awards, this cafe offers homemade sandwiches, soups and cakes as well as a menu of hot food. Rated 13 of 1,021 restaurants in Northants and 1 of 43 in Daventry.



5

**The Fox and Hounds (Whittlebury):** This gastro pub offers light bites and traditional pub food in the bar and modern brasserie dishes in the dining rooms. It is rated 40 of 1,021 restaurants in Northants.



# Crime in county on the increase

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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**Crime in Northamptonshire has gone up by 12 per cent in the past 12 months, with reported rape offences rising by almost 56 per cent.**

According to new figures released by Northamptonshire police, crime went up from 40,983 to 45,927 between 1 April 2014 and 31 March 2015 in comparison to the year before.

Rapes went up from 274 to 427 and violent crime also saw a significant rise by 79

per cent from 7,394 to 11,302. There has also been a big increase in the number of incidents of violence with injury - up 1,438.

Assistant Chief Constable Ivan Balhatchet said: "We have also seen a rise in rape and sex offences in the last year, partly because of a greater confidence in victims to report incidents but also because of an increase in the number of historic offences reported to us."

The 2014/15 figures show there has been a fall of 13.8 per cent in serious acquisitive crime, which includes burglary and theft of motor vehicles, with 1,023 fewer crimes recorded.

Burglaries are at its lowest in three years, with figures dropping from 2,706 to 2,308. Sholifting has gone up from 4,386 to 4,564, possession of weapons has increased from 253 to 311 and vehicle crime has fallen from 4,084 to 3,450. *More online.*

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Cloudy2Clear service the Northampton, Kettering, Wellingborough & Corby areas and Trevor is finding that his

which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated.'

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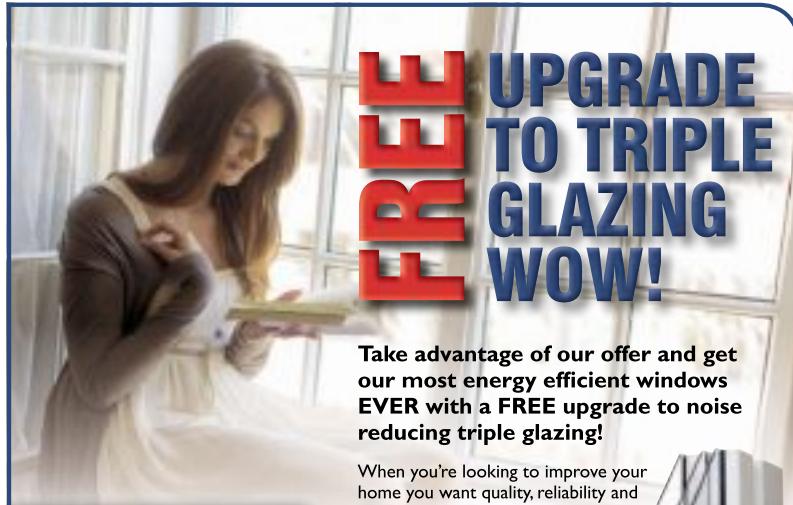
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# Forza Alessandro



## County ground stop for cricketer

An Italian cricketer who was born in Milton Keynes stopped off at the County Ground in Northampton on his 690 mile walk from John O' Groats to The Royal Marsden Hospital in London.

Alessandro Sabelli is following in the footsteps of his uncle, Potito Pasquarella who after being diagnosed with terminal cancer at 20-years-old did the walk for charity.



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**NEWS IN BRIEF****Sexual assault**

An elderly man in his 80s inappropriately touched a young woman at St Matthew's Parade, Northampton. The 10-minute long incident, which happened at last Wednesday, saw the man also kiss the woman a number of times.

**Action Force**

Corby Community Safety Team will be out looking for YOU to have your say in their latest Take Action Event.

They will be on Spencer Court next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11am-4pm.

**New school**

A new primary school will be opening in Kettering this September.

Hayfield Cross Church of England School will be the first building on the Kettering East development, which will comprise 5,500 new homes.

**On the move**

Long Buckby Post Office will move to Buckby Newsagents, 4 High Street, Long Buckby, at 1pm on Monday, May 18.

This will be a new-style open-plan 'local' branch at the shop instead of from a separate screened counter.

**Girl attacked**

A teenage girl was assaulted by a group of five people in Eastfield, Northampton. The girl was walking along Grange Road last Thursday when she was surrounded by three girls and two boys, punched to the floor and assaulted.

**Ipad robbery**

An unlocked front door was the only invitation a thief needed to steal a ipad from a house, in Badby Road, Daventry.

Between 2pm and 5pm on April 19, the offender(s) stole the iPad from the living room.

**Home turf help**

Local causes are set to be the winners with the re-launch of Northampton's Travis Perkins' as it launches a new 'On Home Turf' initiative. The firm will donate up to £1,000\* per quarter to three good causes on its home turf.

**Pub robbery**

Three robbers broke into Billing Mill public house on The Causeway, Great Billing, and threatened the manager, who was forced to open the safe.

It happened between 10.30am - 11am on April 17.



**OPEN: Dyche cuts the ribbon to officially open Kettering FC's brand new home**

**Burnley boss opens new football ground**

The manager of Premier League side Burnley Football Club, Sean Dyche, has officially opened the new home of Kettering FC.

The Clarets boss, who was born and raised in Kettering, was the guest of honour at the opening of the John Lowther Football Centre on Rushton Road, which has three new grass pitches and will accommo-

date Kettering FC's growing number of teams, which currently stands at 11.

Dyche said he was 'delighted' to cut the ribbon on the new changing room facility on April 8, before signing autographs and posing for pictures with the club's younger players.

As well as the changing room, the ground's main building also houses a small

kitchen and meeting room.

Kettering FC is a community club which was formed in 2012 by Kettering Town supporters unhappy at their club's controversial relocation from Rockingham Road in Kettering to Nene Park in Irthingborough.

The club's main under-18's team currently compete in the Northants Senior Youth League.

# Winner wants a new cooker

BY LAWRENCE JOHN  
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## Most Lottery winners want to go out and buy a house or a new car.

But not Elfriede Bliss who won £100k on a National Lottery scratch-card: she wants a new cooker.

On Christmas Day it stopped working half way through cooking lunch and while it was an electrical fault in the outhouse, she still wants a new one as she hates it.

With a £100k in the bank she will be getting a new one.

Elfriede who is known as Freida and works as a cleaner at Weetabix, bought her winning tickets at the One Stop Shop in Barton Seagrave on her way home from work. She bought one when she was going home from work and went back the next day to buy another two.

These she did not scratch until she got home in the evening and one was the lucky £100k winner.

She said: "When I scratched it I could see two stars and what looked like 100. I thought 'Oh that is good I have won a £100' then I saw the back and realised I had won £100,000."

"Winning this amount of money is only now beginning to sink in."

"It was just everything happened at once."

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# Saints on board for another first

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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**Northampton Saints are the first rugby club in the country to have a locomotive named after them.**

History was made at a naming ceremony at GB Railfreight in Wellingborough on Wednesday when a Class 66 Locomotive costing £2.5m was named after The Saints.

It will haul aggregate along over the country, from the port of Felixstowe to the Midlands and will also go to Gloucestershire, Bath and even through Leicester station where it will have to obey a 20mph speed limit.

This last bit of news got a large cheer from the crowd attending the ceremony.

Director of Rugby at the Saints, Jim Mallinder

said: "This is the first time we have been asked to name a locomotive.

"It is a privilege and great as this is the first time a locomotive has been named after a rugby club.

"I do travel a lot by train and in future I will be checking to see if I can spot it flying through Northampton railway station and around the country.

"I am delighted to be here today to celebrate our success and fantastic for everyone associated with the club to be here today."

He said everyone at the club was focussed on the next three games and getting a home semi final in the Aviva Premiership.

The extra week's rest he felt would allow the players to rest and focus on the big games ahead with the aim of getting to another Twickenham final and winning.

## I back Northampton businesses says Chuka Umunna

Labour is backing Northampton businesses says the party's shadow business minister Chuka Umunna.

The party faced bad headlines earlier this month after 100 business leaders signed a letter in The Telegraph suggesting a Labour government would be bad for the economy.

But Mr Umunna said during a visit to the University of Northampton's innovation

vation centre yesterday with Northampton North candidate Sally Keeble: "This was a letter in a Tory supporting paper and among the signatures were Tory supporters.

"I'll let others do their establishment letters, but we are going out all over the UK talking to businesses." Praising the innovation centre, he said: "This is a showcase for what the future can look like."



**IMPRESSED:** Chuka toured the innovation centre

## Benn enjoys 'community spirit at its best' in our county

The shadow communities secretary experienced 'community spirit at its best' in Northampton during a visit to the town last Thursday.

Hilary Benn, the MP for Leeds

Central, dropped in to a lunch club at Mount Pleasant Baptist Church along with the Labour candidate for Northampton North, Sally Keeble. He was able to see how vital the service

was in bringing older people together to enjoy food and social interaction. He applauded the 'terrific' church and said it highlighted the need for health and social care integration.

## On the campaign trail

Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Elizabeth Truss hit the campaign trail in Northampton when she came to support Northampton North MP Michael Ellis.

She said: "Going onto the doorsteps I think people will be happy with the past five years. It is fun campaigning as I get to meet a lot of people and they tell me a lot of different views."



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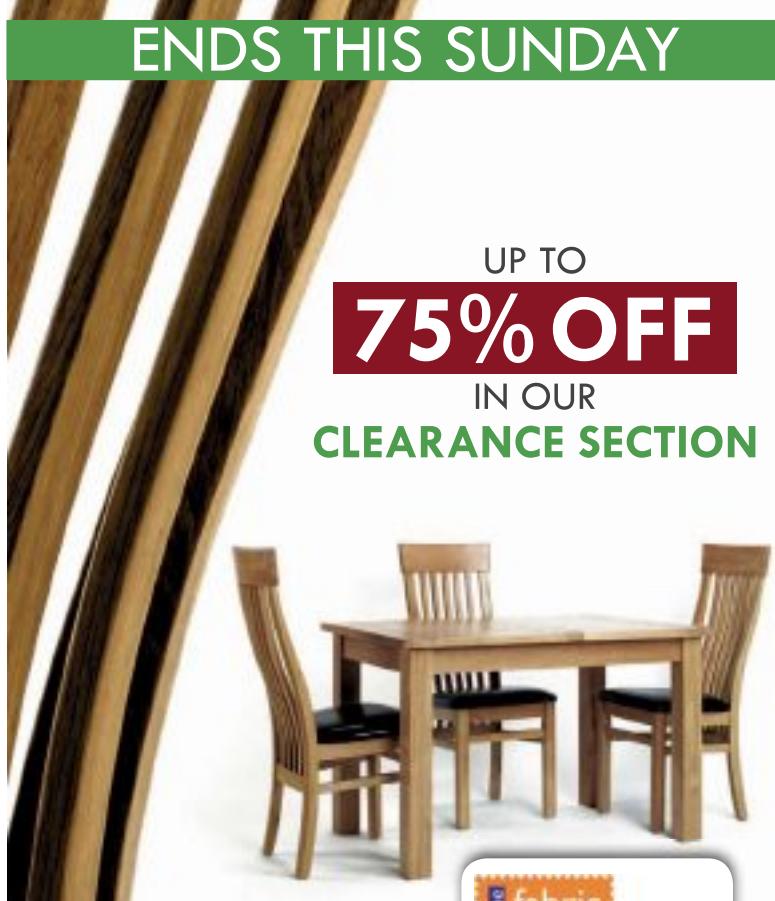
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## BLOGGER OF THE WEEK: Battles to update apps

### Lawrence John

Reporter Lawrence John takes a look at the battle we face updating our apps. It is equivalent of the battle faced by Laurel & Hardy in the film the Music Box



Oh look it is updating again.

This is the joyous chorus I utter as I stand and wait while my mobile phone decides it is time to update an app and then another and then another and another.

I have the same stunned look when I see at least six apps need updating on my I Pad. These are the same six I feel I have just updated a few days ago or more likely a few hours ago. I read the reasons for the update and the insignificant drivel it says like minor bugs fixed never ceases to send me into a verbal tail spin. I simply cannot believe so much needs updating all the time. It never stops. It is like the tide of junk mail it is forever rolling in. Imagine if we had to update everything in our lives as often as we have to update an app. Snatches of conversation could include: Sorry for the wait but we are updating the till, No Sir, your car has not broken down it is re configuring and updating and I cannot come into work today as I am being updated. We would never get anything done. This is the type of updating, mind numbing, teeth clenching, throwing on the floor, electronic tantrum we are forced to tolerate nearly

every day. If you ignore the update your I Pad or mobile does not like it. It keeps telling you an update is needed. It is so much fun to press clear. As you know it will tell you again later. Even if you press clear it will give you options of when would you like to update. An hour, two hours, 12 hours..it is clutching at straws and it knows it. Press clear, keep calm.. give the electronic device a taste of its own medicine I say. This battle between human and update the app is the equivalent of Laurel & Hardy in the Music Box. This is where they deliver a piano (the Music Box) to a house on the top of a hill. They push and pull it up a huge flight of concrete steps and sometimes people get in their way and it rolls down and they have to start again. And even when they start again, they have the misfortune of seeing it roll back down the steps.

When they finally reach the top, they realise they could have driven up to the house with it in the back of their truck. So what do they do? They take it back down the steps and drive back up with it in the truck. This is the 21st century equivalent of updating all the apps all the time.

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## Your Letters



### Facebook reaction to dog owners being fined £100

Last week we reported that Daventry District Council is proposing new powers which will require people to show how they will clean up dog mess if stopped by officials.

Here are our readers' reactions to the story on Facebook:

**Nicole Heitz:** I have a dog and I agree. But what about cat owners? I have to clean up front garden every day.

**Matt Cockburn:** Seems fair to me, I had to clear up the dog c\*\*p from out-

side our house because the dog owner couldn't be a\*\*\*d to do it themselves

**Sally Fox:** As a dog owner I pick up the poo, as a parent I don't want my children or anyone else's children falling in it. There is no point bagging it and leaving it on the ground. Take it home if no bin provided or kick it out of the way.

**Adam Reader:** As a non dog walker and owner maybe the people who do it should educate the ones doing wrong. I mean even the ones using bags

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hang them in fences throw it on the floor. Harlestone firz and brampton valley way kingsthorpe end prime among other places just cycling along bridle ways i bad as well take it home example rant over thank you!!!!

**Carlie O'Ware:** The council need to empty the bins. But I agree with a fine **Maria Pitt:** As a dog owner I totally agree but as Carlie points out the council need to empty the bins as well as replace the burnt out bins!!! Lydia Browne: The dog poo is terrible around Headlands especially near the school. Huge piles of it on the alley. Even when some of these people use bags they just chuck the bag on the ground or in people's gardens. Who is going to police this?

**Linda Mitchell:** Good about time. Where I live further away people are their dogs leave a trail of poo from the ally down the road till they get to the park. The thing is they are irresponsible dog owners they stand while their dogs do it then walk off. Where is it right outside your home.

**Wright Deb:** I am a volunteer gardener at my local library and there is a designated "Poop and scoop" area over the road, so why am I still picking up at least 6 piles of poop from the library grounds when I do a litter pick? How is this going to be enforced then? local dog wardens or police fining people, never seen a dog warden since I moved here and police just drive through unless they've been called out to something specific.

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# Underground delivery test



BY NICHOLAS BIEBER  
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**MOLE:** Underground delivery system being tested in town

A network of pipes could be laid under Northampton to deliver parcels directly to shops and companies in a bid to cut road congestion.

The Government has approved funding for Cambridgeshire-based Mole Solutions to develop the idea as an alternative to the conventional systems of transporting goods by road.

The plan, called the Mole Urban project, aims to reduce the level of road freight within urban areas by using freight pipelines carrying goods in capsules to edge of town consolidation centres, where they would be collected.

And Northampton has been

selected as the first test site, where a small pilot could be set up in years - sending goods such as food, drink, computer software and clothes across the town without adding to traffic.

The project will begin with research and data gathering on the range and scale of freight movements currently taking place in the town.

If the results are positive, a small-scale pilot could see underground pipelines installed to transport goods.

The development project is set to last nine months and if successful could be rolled out in other towns, although it is still a long way from fruition.



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**CHAOS:** The accidents on the M1 are causing havoc on the A5

## 'M1 roadworks killing my business'

A Northamptonshire trader says 'chaotic' roadworks on the M1 are 'destroying' his 60-year-old business.

Ian Morgan, 64, has seen profits at his Paynes Nurseries garden centre in Towcester suffer by 25 per cent since the works started in August 2014.

The centre, which sits next to the Tove Roundabout on the A5, has in fact suffered so much that the drop in trade is actually its biggest ever

loss since it opened up 60 years ago. This is as a result of traffic being diverted off the M1 and down the A5 past Mr Morgan's centre when there is an accident.

He said: "The traffic is so bad now that people just don't want to go to Towcester anymore, let alone our garden centre."

"We have been here 60 years and we have never known the road as bad as this - it just can't cope with the volume of traffic."

# Mum's blood donor appeal

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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A mother whose son needed blood after being diagnosed with cancer is urging people in Northampton to become blood donors and help to save lives.

Alfe Game, 11, was diagnosed with B Cell Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a form of blood cancer at the age of five.

During several months of tough chemotherapy treatment, he received seven blood transfusions and five platelet transfusions.

Thanks to hospital staff and blood donors, Alfe was able to pull through and is now a happy 11-year-old. Now Karen and Alfe are hoping their story will help to inspire other people in Northampton to give blood.

Karen Rogers, Alfe's mother said: "Without the gift of blood, Alfe wouldn't be the happy and healthy child he is today."

"The donation of blood is such a selfless act that really does save lives and improve the quality of people's lives. Blood donation is so important. I'm so grateful to the donors who helped to save



Alfe's life. I urge others to get involved as well."

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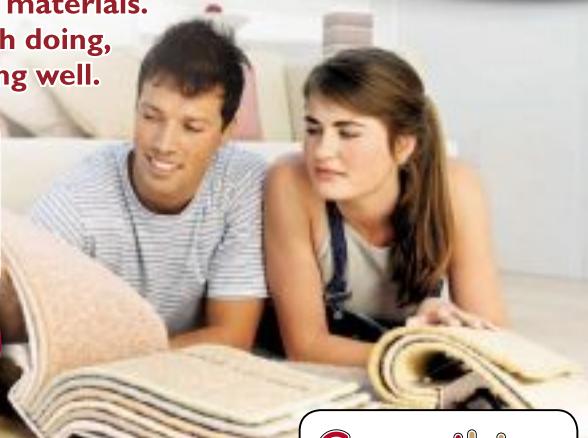


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The County Ground in Northampton is hemmed in by houses on all sides.

If you look at it from an aerial pictures it looks like an oasis of green in the middle of terraced houses.

And for Vice Captain of Northamptonshire County Cricket Club, David Willey it is his 'second home'.

The 25-year-old spent hours and hours at the famous ground watching his dad Peter Willey playing for the club.

The young David took pride in watching his dad and knew in his heart this was where he wanted to take to the stage and perform.

In Northamptonshire's last game he certainly did perform when he hit his maiden century for the club ending on 104 not out from 83 balls.

Not content with that he made 62 in Northants first innings and took 4-72 in Gloucestershire first innings.

Willey who has been a professional cricketer since 2009, has the confidence of a young man who knows his potential but also knows in order to fulfil it he has to produce the goods for

**ALL ROUNDER:** Vice captain of Northamptonshire County Cricket Club, David Willey in action against Gloucestershire at the County Ground, the place he calls his second home.



Northants before any call comes to pull on the Three Lions of England.

Speaking about what cricket means to him he said: "To be honest cricket for me has always been a hobby which I get great enjoyment from."

"I love the competitive element to it but for me it is just about enjoyment. As a player I do get caught up in the moment as I do everything I can to win. There is no better feeling than to have put in the hard yards and come off a winner with the team."

"Cricket is an unusual game where there are 11 of us on the field and we are all

individuals but while one or two of us can do well you cannot win without everyone else."

"The individual makes a contribution but he cannot win with out the greater good, the team."

"You cannot achieve without everyone making a contribution. Being in a winning side is a great feeling."

"I would like to go on and represent England at all formats. That would be what I would like to do."

"If I can get there I would like to stay as long as possible. To be honest I have no idea when I will be selected for England."

# Willey's target



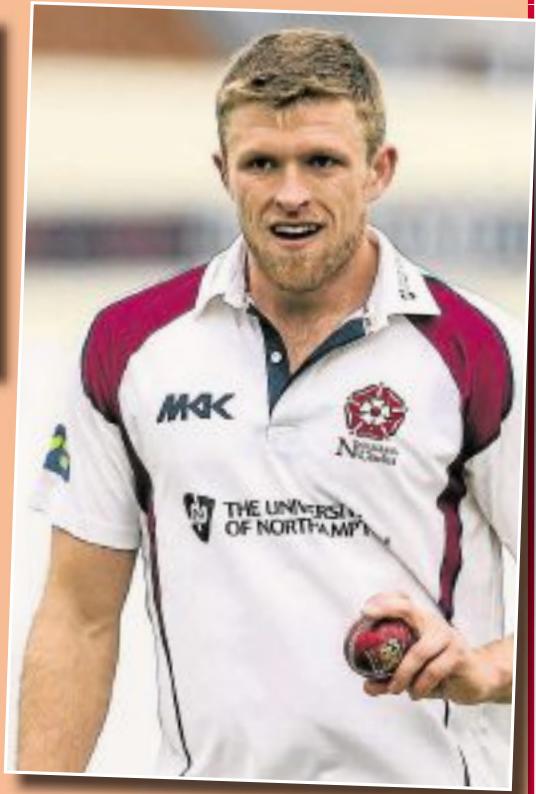
"You never know what the selectors are thinking and so many names are put forward by pundits that you cannot believe what you read."

"All I can do is keep performing and hopefully things will come."

Willey thinks the county has a good chance of achieving success this season. If everyone is fit we have a great chance of doing well in the one day competitions and be very competitive in Division Two."

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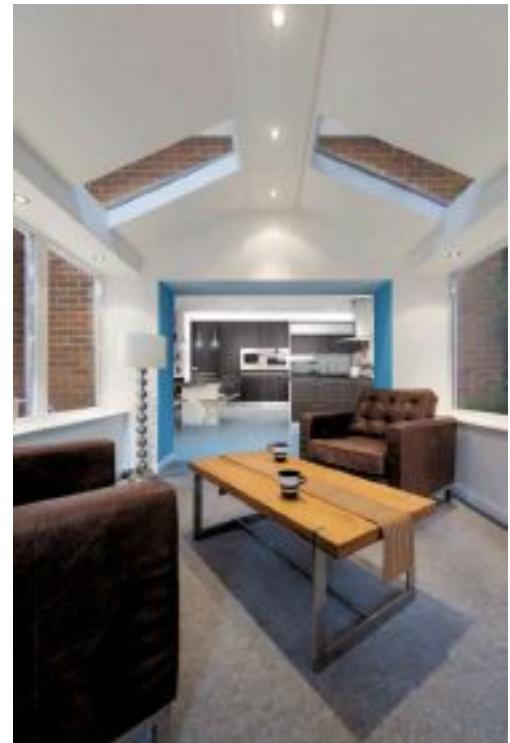
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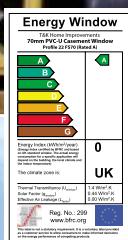
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The 'Tube Challenge' saw the adventurous team ride over 250 miles of tube track across London to raise money for Niamh's Next Step - a Wellingborough charity raising awareness of a rare form of childhood cancer called Neuroblastoma.

Hoping to add money to the charity pot to help fund research into the rare childhood cancer was Simon Cox and Ian Byers, both of whom were joined by two Team GB Olympians in the name of judo fighter Kelly Edwards and sprinter Julie Rogers.

The team set out from Heathrow Airport at 5:02 am on the Piccadilly Line, and navigated all 250 miles of the London Underground to visit all 270 stations within the network on the hottest day of the year so far.

Battling against the heat, the daily hustle and bustle of the tube and tiredness of the long day, the team reached their final destination of Chesham on the Metropolitan Line at 11:20pm.

# Five questions for Trilogy:



Trilogy's Head of Commercial Activity John Fletcher shares his insights on future plans

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1. How will the Cripps Gym fit into the Trilogy portfolio? Will members be able to use it like any Trilogy site?

The Cripps facility plays a key role in enabling us to 'Inspire Active Lifestyles' and engage with more people to adopt a healthier lifestyle. The location of Cripps will provide us with the opportunity to work in close partnership with Northampton General Hospital, encouraging people in Northampton more than ever to get active.

The plan for Cripps is to provide a fantastic state of the art health and wellbeing facility supported by a 25 metre swimming pool. Not only will this new facility inspire adults to get fitter, it will provide a great facility to encourage and educate children of all abilities to learn to swim and get active through our Trilogy swim school programme that we will be launching at Cripps.

Cripps will become part of the Trilogy family and existing members will be able to use Cripps as part of their existing membership. To get an idea of how the facility will change, we have developed a virtual tour to whet your appetite at [trilogyleisure.co.uk/cripps](http://trilogyleisure.co.uk/cripps).

2. What plans are there to upgrade and improve facilities at Trilogy's existing sites? Does taking possession of a new gym mean the older ones will get less attention?

We will always look to develop our facilities and inspire members to keep active. We have a clear refurbishment policy and the original Trilogy centres (Mounts Baths/Danes Camp/Lings Forum) are planned for an uplift in Dec/Jan with all three gyms being refurbished and new equipment installed. Although plans have not yet been finalised for these upgrades, it is likely that members will see some changes that incorporate functional training areas as well as traditional fixed equipment.

Developing a new facility will not mean the existing Trilogy centres suffer, we have a clear strategy with each centre being equally important to the company's stability. Existing members are extremely important and we will continue to invest in all of our centres both existing and new, ensuring that we provide a strong product and meet our members expectations.

3. Is there anything that can be done to improve communication with members during periods such as the refurbishment of the Mounts health suite? Are the wetside changing rooms likely to get a facelift?

During the recent improvement works to the changing rooms at Mounts Baths we did provide regular progress updates on our website and social media pages as well as customer notices around the centre.

However we absolutely recognise we could have done more to keep members up to speed. We will learn from our mistakes and ensure we communicate comprehensively in future.

We are presently discussing the wet side changing room refurbishment and although we have not determined dates for this project the changing rooms will be receiving some attention in the near future. Members will be kept up to date on potential improvements to the wet side changing rooms and we will choose the least disruptive months to complete these improvement works.

4. Do you see Trilogy continuing to expand its portfolio in Northampton?

We certainly have plans to develop our portfolio and 'Inspire Active Lifestyles'. We have several projects in the pipeline both in and around Northampton, however until these projects are definite no announcements can be made, you will have to watch this space.

5. What new classes or equipment are planned for Trilogy members in the coming months?

We always provides our members with the latest class programme, offering the most up to date programmes from the fitness world.

We have recently launched the extremely successful GRIT & HIIT programme, followed by Insanity and Myride+ and will be launching Les Mills virtual classes in the next few months at Cripps.

The class programme at Trilogy is always growing with over 200+ classes per week and caters for all genres and types with favourites such as Zumba, Pilates, Pump, Grit, HIIT, Insanity, Yoga and much more.

## Swim and gym puts thighs under strain

The legs really got it on Monday. I was back in the pool learning the breast stroke (or at least learning how much I had to learn) and it was in the leg department that the main challenge lay.

We were working on the whip kick. My knees were about a fist apart, feet at right angles to my legs moving upwards and outwards then pushing back into a glide. Meanwhile I was blowing bubbles to get my air out so I was ready to breathe as I pushed water behind me and bobbed my head up out of the water.

I have reached the stage where I can remember to do any two things from that list.

There is something rather less than graceful about the way my head re-enters the water but coach Barbara assured me that eventually my motion will become more merman and less... mallet.

Gym coach Martin was ready and wait-

ing for my aching thighs later. I found myself tackling shuttle runs, leg swings, kicks, sit ups, Russian twists, knee thingies. Eventually Martin showed 'mercy' and put me on the rowing machine instead.

My weight is up. The delicate balance between food and exercise has not quite found its sweet spot.

I feel like I can do more than I ever could physically but it's giving me a ravenous appetite to control.

H&P Editor Steve Scoles on his quest for fitness and health helped by Trilogy Gym

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Thursday, April 23, 2015



## Large family home complete with charming views of countryside

**Long Buckby £425,000**

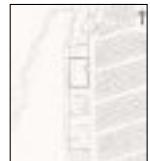
This large and beautifully appointed three bedroom detached property has an enviable position overlooking countryside plus ownership of the village pond that is home to the local ducks.

Inside, there is a large entrance hall, cloakroom, 28'2 lounge/dining room, very smart modern kitchen/breakfast room, family room/office, utility room, three large double bedrooms plus quality modern en-suite bath/shower room and house shower

room. There is a double garage and adjoining workshop/boot room both accessible from the house and the private rear garden is fully landscaped with excellent seating/entertaining areas. The property features UPVC

double glazing, gas fired radiator heating and a security alarm. EPC: D

Contact: Jackson Grundy 01327 842093

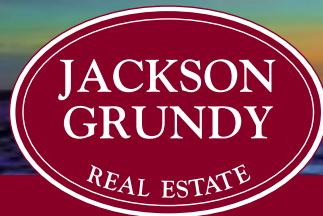
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## What Your Agent Has To Say

### Growth in house prices forecast in 2015

This year has seen an ongoing improvement in the housing market. At Jackson Grundy, our volume of residential property sales has been remarkably consistent so far in 2015, buoyed by strong demand and slightly stifled supply.

The dynamics of the market, however, may well shift somewhat after the forthcoming general election, with supply set to increase.

Potential buyers are likely to benefit from greater choice as a result of the more hesitant of sellers committing to place their homes on to the market.

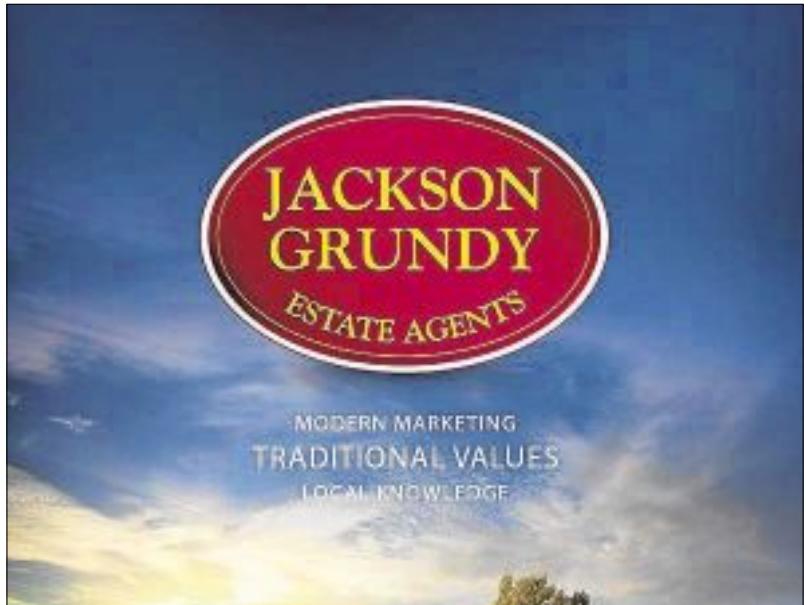
Understandably, I believe many people have been holding off until post-election to see if the market is at all impacted by a different Parliamentary picture. Despite the likely

increase in property coming to the market after May 7, some commentators are predicting further house price growth for the rest of the year and thereafter.

Regardless of the short term effect of greater supply later in the year, the fact the strong levels of demand show no sign of diminishing anytime soon should hopefully lead to a balanced and gradual growth in house prices over the coming years.

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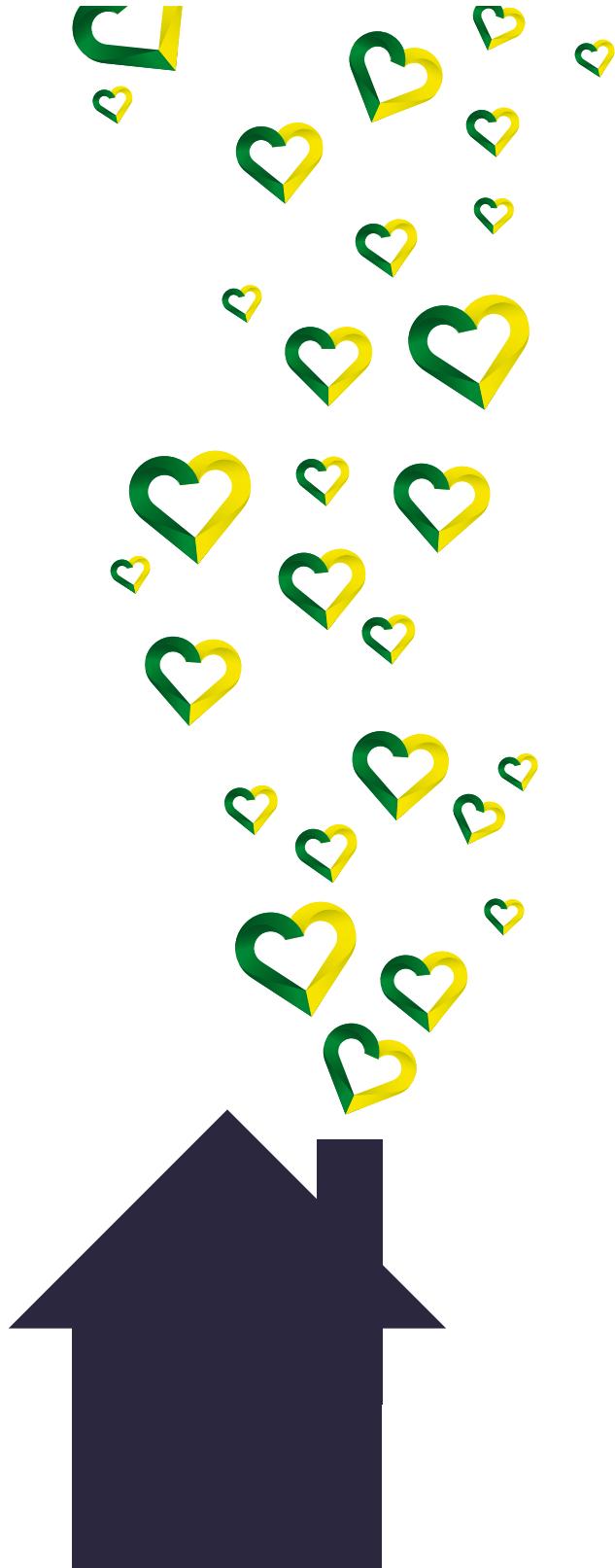
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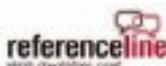
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## IRTHLINGBOROUGH

A modern detached property set in a cul de sac location with accommodation comprising entrance hall, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, utility room and a cloakroom to the ground floor whilst the first floor comprises three bedrooms, ensuite to the master and a family bathroom. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear and a driveway leading to a garage. Further benefits include uPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and no upper chain. EPC Rating: C P4931



## LITTLE BILLING

Recently reduced detached property built by Lagan Homes to their Valentino design and situated at the end of a private drive. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, sitting room and kitchen/dining room with built in appliances on the ground floor. Master and guest bedrooms both with their own ensuites and a further bedroom on the first floor with two further double bedrooms and a family bathroom on the second floor. Externally there is parking for four to five cars leading to a single garage and an enclosed rear garden. EPC Rating: B P4903



£134,995



## ABINGTON VALE

£305,000

A mature and extended end of terrace property situated in the popular area of Abington Vale. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, sitting room, refitted kitchen with a range, dining/family room and lean to on the ground floor with master bedroom with en suite, two further bedrooms and a shower room on the first floor. Externally there is off road parking for three cars to the front with a further two to the rear and an enclosed garden to the rear. The property further benefits from uPVC double glazing and gas radiator heating. EPC Rating: TBC P4908



## GREAT DODDINGTON

£270,000

Built approximately three years ago and set on a private drive backing onto paddocks. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, sitting room with multi fuel burner, kitchen/dining room and a utility room on the ground floor. Upstairs there are three double bedrooms, ensuite to the master and a family bathroom. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear and a covered driveway leading to a garage. Further benefits include double glazing and gas radiator heating. EPC Rating: B P4914



## WELLINGBOROUGH

£449,500

With views overlooking the park and a self contained annex, this spacious home is offered with accommodation comprising entrance porch, entrance hall, cloakroom, 27' sitting room, dining room, kitchen and utility room to the ground floor. To the first floor is a spacious landing with a balcony overlooking the park. There are also four double bedrooms and a four piece family shower room. The annex comprises of kitchen/diner, sitting room, a double bedroom and a bathroom. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear, a large driveway and a triple garage. EPC Rating: D & F P4911

## FINEDON

£275,000

A mature and extended semi detached property with a self contained annexe situated opposite a green and tennis courts in the popular village of Finedon. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, study and cloakroom on the ground floor with master bedroom with shower ensuite and two further double bedrooms on the first floor. Externally there is a generous rear garden in which sits a self contained annexe with living area, kitchenette and shower room with its own gas radiator heating system and uPVC double glazing. EPC Rating: D P4891



## WELLINGBOROUGH

£154,995

A spacious and well presented semi detached property situated on the desirable Harrowden Park development. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, sitting room, dining room and kitchen to the ground floor, with three bedrooms (ensuite to master) and a family bathroom to the first. The property offers an enclosed garden to the rear, while further benefits include uPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating, off road parking, single garage and no upper chain. EPC Rating: C P4927

## WELLINGBOROUGH

£179,995

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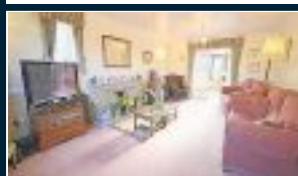
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Collingtree Village £420,000

Situated at the end of a private driveway that provides access to just five properties, this generously proportioned four bedroom detached family home has spacious accommodation throughout with a beautiful south facing rear garden. EPC: C



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West Hunsbury

£625,000

Situated in this extremely sought after location of individually built detached homes is this former four bedroom detached that has had an annexe addition to make an executive six bedroom home, with an abundance of usable spacious rooms. EPC: D.

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Hunsbury Meadows £425,000

An exceptional four bedroom detached family home situated in the popular residential area of Hunsbury Meadows. Updated and improved throughout by the current owners and truly is an outstanding example of what a family home can be. EPC: Awaiting



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West Hunsbury

£265,000

A four bedroom detached family home that enjoys an elevated position on a quiet cul de sac within West Hunsbury. The house has pleasant views to the front and a good level of privacy to the rear and benefits from a detached double garage. EPC: Awaiting

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Simpson Manor

£249,995

Situated in the far corner of this quiet cul de sac is this fantastic four bedroom end of terrace family home set in the sought after location of Simpson Manor. This family home has been maintained to a high standard. EPC: Awaiting

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Sywell

£240,000

A beautiful three bedroom semi detached bungalow located in the picturesque Northamptonshire village of Sywell. Set back from the road, the dormer bungalow is deceptively spacious. EPC: Awaiting

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The Mounts £145,000

A fantastic three bedroom property in the popular town centre location of The Mounts. An ideal investment or first time buy the property offers spacious accommodation throughout. EPC: Awaiting

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Beau Manor £169,995

Situated in Beau Manor and offered to the market with no upward chain is this spacious three bedroom link detached family home that has a larger than average front and rear gardens. The private development is within close proximity to Weston Favell Shopping Centre and offers good access to A43/A45 and M1. EPC: Awaiting

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Far Cotton £170,000

An extended two bedroom semi detached bungalow in the popular area of Far Cotton. Set in a quiet Crescent the bungalow offers peaceful living, within walking distance to Northampton town centre. EPC: E

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Buckingham Fields £182,500

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Kingsthorpe Guide Price £345,000

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A rare opportunity to buy this immaculately presented one bedroom semi detached Bungalow. The property has been modernised to a very high standard. Located in Moulton which is a very sought after location and has always been popular, its position within Northampton makes it a great base with good access to the Town Centre.

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£149,950

In need of modernisation throughout this deceptively spacious property is a fantastic investment opportunity situated in the heart of Abington and is likely to appeal to developers and buy-to-let investors. Retaining some wonderful character features there is so much potential here.

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Boothville £159,995

This spacious, mature two bedroom bungalow is situated in a popular residential location on the outskirts of town and is offered with no upper chain. The property occupies an enviable plot with good sized gardens to the front and rear also benefiting from a garage and off road parking. Located in a quiet cul-de-sac the area is to be envied.

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£120,000

Offered to the market is this unusual two double bed roomed property located on Admitt Road, within walking distance of the town centre and Abington Park this property would make a great starter home or buy to let investment. With skylights throughout this property benefits from an abundance of light.

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A fine example of a three bedroom Victorian terrace property presented in very good order throughout retaining a wealth of character features. Situated off the Kettering Road within walking distance of local amenities this wonderful home will appeal to a wide audience including first time buyers, young families and investors.

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An immaculately presented two bedroom end of terrace property with large rear garden situated in Kingsthorpe. The property has had numerous improvements to include double glazing where specified, modern contemporary fitted kitchen with high gloss units. EPC: Awaited.



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**NEW**  
Kingsthorpe Hollow £57,500  
Situated in Kingsthorpe Hollow is this well presented second floor 50% shared ownership apartment that's offered to the market with no upward chain. The property benefits from a fitted kitchen and lounge with Juliet balcony, two double bedrooms and a fitted bathroom. Allocated parking space is situated close to the entrance.

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**NEW**  
Abington £237,500  
A superb ex builder refurbished double bay fronted mid terrace property located on this highly desirable road within close proximity to Abington Park. The property has three double bedrooms and is presented in immaculate decorative order with the spacious accommodation has some lovely original features such as decorative coving, built in cupboards and fireplaces.

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**NEW**  
Abington £329,995  
Boasting a wealth of period features is this fantastic, double bay fronted Victoria town house. This wonderful home is well presented throughout and offers light and spacious accommodation, as well as off road parking making it ideal for a family looking to be close to the town centre and Racecourse park. The property enjoys a small frontage ensuring a high degree of privacy.

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**NEW**  
Kingsthorpe Guide Price £85,000  
A one bedroom first floor apartment presented for sale in good decorative order with a modern neutral colour scheme throughout. The property would make an ideal first time or investment purchase and has features to include refitted kitchen and bathroom, gas radiator heating and double glazing where specified.

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Camelot Way £365,000

An immaculately presented four bedroom detached family home constructed by Messrs David Wilson Homes to their Cameron design situated on the exclusive development in Duston. The ex show home property has a modern neutral colour scheme throughout, replacement double glazing, gas radiator heating, three reception rooms, good size plot and a detached double garage. EPC D



Duston

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NEW



St Giles Park £295,000

Located in the popular area of St Giles Park in a quiet cul-de-sac is this fully refurbished four bedroom detached family home. This immaculate property has been fully renovated by the current owners to include; a single garage conversion to create a spacious family room, fully refitted Kitchen, Bathroom and En-Suite shower rooms plus redecoration throughout. EPC D



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NEW PRICE



Kislingbury

£630,000

Built by the current owners and bearing a date stone of 2006, this substantial six bedroom detached property must be viewed. The property occupies a generous plot in the heart of this popular village and has off road parking for numerous vehicles, a detached double garage, en suites to two of the bedrooms and a fantastic kitchen/family room overlooking the large rear garden. EPC C

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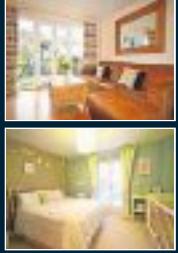
Rothersthorpe

£610,000

A delightful stone built family home occupying a large plot within this highly popular village. The property offers spacious accommodation and features en suites to two of the bedrooms, an integral double garage and a wonderful garden leading to a paddock which in turn backs onto open countryside. The property sits behind a stone wall and the block paved frontage provides off road parking for numerous vehicles and leads up to the front door. EPC awaited.

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Upton

£199,000

Presented in immaculate condition is this stunning three storey townhouse situated in Upton. The ground floor comprises; modern kitchen, spacious lounge/dining room and a cloakroom/W.C. The first floor boasts two spacious double bedrooms and family bathroom. The second floor showcases a large master bedroom with a dressing area and en-suite shower room. Externally there is an enclosed private garden and allocated secure parking. EPC B

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St Giles Park

£92,995

Located on the popular St Giles estate is this spacious one bedroom top floor apartment. Internally the property boasts a spacious lounge, modern kitchen and bathrooms plus ample storage. Externally the flat has a communal garden area and one allocated parking space. EPC awaited

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St James

£145,000

Located in the popular Scots Corner area of St James is this mature bay fronted three bedroom family home. This unique property combines character with modern conveniences such as gas central heating and PVCu double glazed windows. The property briefly benefits from permit parking, a single garage, two reception rooms and refitted bathroom. EPC F.

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New build



St James

£179,995

Currently under construction, a newly built 2 bed detached bungalow nearing completion situated in St James. The bungalow features double glazing, gas radiator heating, newly fitted kitchen/dining room, master bedroom with en suite shower room and driveway which leads to the single garage. EPC B.



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**Beau Manor £650 PCM**

Available from the second week in May. A two bedroom end of terraced house that has been modernised to a high standard. Benefits include off road parking and enclosed rear gardens. EPC: Awaiting



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**Semilong £625 PCM**

Available third week in June is this well presented two bedroom mid terrace home. The property is situated within walking distance to both Town Centre and Train Station. EPC: Awaiting



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**Far Cotton**

**£725 PCM**

Available now is this modern two bedroom property located in the popular residential area of Far Cotton which has a host of local amenities and offers easy access to the M1 and A45. EPC: Awaiting



Towcester Lettings

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**Hunsbury Meadows**

**£1,500 PCM**

Available now is this substantial four bedroom detached property in popular area of Hunsbury Meadows. Ideal for a family, the property has been updated throughout and includes a converted garage. EPC: Awaiting

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**Delapre**

**£745 PCM**

Available from the first week in June is this three bedroom semi detached home situated in the popular area of Delapre. Benefits include close proximity to town centre and a good size garden. EPC: Awaiting



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**Cherry Lodge**

**£475 PCM**

Available May is this well presented one bedroom cluster home property located in the popular residential area of Cherry Lodge which has a host of local amenities and offers easy access to A45. EPC: Awaiting

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**Semilong £495 PCM**

Available in early June is this well presented part furnished one bedroom top floor apartment that's situated within close proximity to Northampton Town Centre and includes the water rates. EPC: Awaiting



**Town Centre £615 PCM**

Available 18th May is this second floor one bedroom flat located in a very central and convenient position in Northampton Town. The flat is presented in very good condition. EPC: Awaiting

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**Kingsthorpe £675 PCM**

A Victorian style two bedroom mid terrace property available immediately offering spacious accommodation with gas radiator heating, partial double glazing and a cellar. EPC: Awaiting



**Golden Ash £795 PCM**

A three bedroom detached property located in Northampton close to Weston Favell, with benefits including off road parking, garage and a private rear garden. EPC: Awaiting



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**EARLS BARTON** EPC: . OIEO £365,000

A well presented Grade II listed character property with three double bedrooms. Having been tastefully updated by the current vendors the property benefits from a luxury family bathroom, gas radiator central heating fired via replacement combination boiler and the Old Dairy's parlour which now serves as two single garages and a garden room. Entrance hall, lounge/dining room, downstairs cloakroom, conservatory and separate WC. Outside a picturesque walled terrace garden leads to a well tended and private lawned garden.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990



**ABINGTON** EPC: D £139,995

A three bedroom end of terrace home situated just a short walk from the town centre, offered for sale with no onward chain by Jackson Grundy Estate Agents. In brief the accommodation comprises entrance hall, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge and rear lobby, whilst upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. Externally there is a small frontage and a low maintenance rear garden. Further benefits include uPVC double glazing and gas central heating. Viewing advised.

Abington T: 01604 231111



**GREAT HOUGHTON** EPC: F £259,950

A beautifully presented detached Victorian cottage occupying a prominent spot. Comprises entrance porch, lounge, dining room and kitchen to the ground floor, with two double bedrooms and a refitted four piece family bathroom to the first floor. The property retains a wealth of character features to include working wood burning stoves to the ground floor reception rooms, cast iron fireplaces in the bedrooms, working sash windows and exposed brickwork to name a few. A courtyard garden is positioned to rear, which offers a good degree of privacy.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**MOULTON** EPC: . £264,995

An extended three bedroom detached property being one of only four homes in 'The Hollies', situated with open views to the front on the edge of Moulton Village. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge and dining room. To the first floor are three bedrooms and a three piece bathroom suite. Outside are well maintained gardens to front and rear. In addition to the driveway and garage.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



**RAVENSTHORPE**

EPC: D

£215,000

Jackson Grundy are pleased to offer for sale with no upper chain this extended three bedroom semi-detached property situated within the desirable village of Ravensthorpe. The property is very well presented throughout and offers accommodation that briefly comprises entrance hall, kitchen/breakfast room, study, lounge, conservatory, downstairs WC and utility room. Upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. Outside offers a very large corner plot rear garden and off road parking. An early viewing is highly advised to fully appreciate this village home.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



**HACKLETON**

EPC: C

OO £300,000

An immaculate extended cottage backing onto fields, located in a desirable village location. Dating back to circa 1880, boasting a wealth of features - generous reception hall, full double glazing, fitted kitchen with Neff appliances, zoned central heating, hardwired smoke alarms, fitted Sharps bedroom furniture, built in wardrobes to bedrooms 2 & 3. The accommodation comprises - reception hall, living room, 'p' shaped conservatory, dining room leading onto a well-furnished kitchen, utility room, generous downstairs bathroom and office. On the first floor there are four bedrooms, master with en-suite shower room, and separate cloakroom/WC. Early viewing highly recommended

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**KINGSTHORPE** EPC: D £139,995

Jackson Grundy offer to the market this three bedroom mid terrace property. This family home comprises entrance porch, lounge, kitchen/diner, three first floor bedrooms and a family bathroom. Outside is an enclosed rear garden with gated rear access. The property further benefits from UPVC double glazed windows and doors where specified and warm air heating. Early viewing is highly recommended.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



**DUSTON** EPC: . £239,995

A well presented and extended family home set off a private driveway in the ever popular location of Duston. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, inner hall, cloakroom, and modern fitted kitchen open to a family/dining room to the ground floor. A first floor landing offers the master bedroom (with en-suite shower room), three further bedrooms and a four piece family bathroom. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear with an integral garage.

Duston T: 01604 755757



**KINGSLEY** EPC: . £169,995

An opportunity has arisen to acquire this unique Victorian terrace property with accommodation spanning over four floors. Comprises two reception rooms to the lower ground floor with lounge, kitchen/breakfast room and entrance hall to the ground floor. There are two bedrooms and a family bathroom on the first floor with stairs rising to the loft room. Externally there is a small front garden and a large rear garden. The property is in need of some updating however does benefit from gas radiator heating. No onward chain.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



**ECTON BROOK** EPC: . £139,995

A stunning two bedroom link detached property having been modernised and updated by a local developer. Comprises entrance hall, sitting / dining room overlooking the rear garden, refitted kitchen with integrated appliances, two bedrooms and a refitted family bathroom. Having been redecorated and benefiting from new flooring throughout an internal viewing is recommended to appreciate the quality of finish on offer. Further benefits include uPVC double glazing throughout, well tended gardens to the front and rear and no upper chain.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990

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**DUSTON** EPC: D £199,995

A beautifully presented and rarely available Victorian Terrace. Comprises entrance hall, sitting/dining room, refitted kitchen/breakfast room, rear lobby and a refitted WC to the ground floor. The cellar below is in two halves and offers excellent storage space and games/playroom with access to garden. The first floor offers three bedrooms and a refitted family bathroom. A low maintenance frontage provides off road parking, while the rear garden is in the region of 160 feet. Further benefits include UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and no onward chain.

Duston T: 01604 755757



**PARKLANDS** EPC: D £165,000

A two bedroom semi detached bungalow situated in the popular area of Parklands and offered to the market with no onward chain. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, conservatory, two bedrooms and a refitted shower room. Benefits include UPVC double glazing (where specified), gas radiator heating and well maintained front and rear gardens. An early viewing is highly advised.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



**KINGSTHORPE** EPC: D £144,995

Jackson Grundy are proud to offer to the market a well presented two bedroom Victorian terrace property situated in Kingsthorpe Village. The property comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen and cellar with two bedrooms and a four piece family bathroom to the first floor. Further benefits include UPVC double glazed windows and doors (where specified), gas radiator heating and no onward chain. Early viewings are recommended.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



**THE MOUNTS** EPC: . £139,995

A well cared for Victorian style terrace house, set on a popular road, and still retaining original period features. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, first floor landing with doors to two bedrooms and a bathroom. Additional features include double glazed windows and doors, gas radiator heating, exposed floorboards and stripped doors (where specified), well tended garden with patio and slate chip borders and cast iron fireplaces to the upstairs bedrooms. Early viewing is highly recommended.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**MOULTON** EPC: C £181,995

A rarely available stone built two bedroom home built by Clayson Country Homes to a high standard and situated in a quiet cul-de-sac within the heart of Moulton Village. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, two double bedrooms and a smart white three piece bathroom suite. The property benefits from gas radiator heating, off road parking and courtyard style front garden. Viewing is essential.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



**LITTLE HARROWDEN** EPC: D £147,500

Situated in a quiet cul-de-sac in the ever popular village of Little Harrowden. We are delighted to offer to the market this extended recently modernised two bedroom semi-detached bungalow. The bungalow benefits from a new central heating system, new bathroom suite and a refitted kitchen. Further benefits include UPVC double glazing, off road parking and a rear garden that backs on to beautiful open fields. Accommodation in brief comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, two bedrooms and a bathroom.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990



**GREAT BILLING** EPC: . £365,000

A four bedroom detached property with a unique layout nicely positioned at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac. The property has undergone a complete refurbishment programme to a high specification. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, w.c., 15'4 x 15' lounge, well appointed 18' x 16' kitchen/dining room with built-in appliances, bedrooms three and four and a downstairs bathroom to the ground floor. On the first floor there are two generous double bedrooms, the master benefiting from a dressing area and an en suite shower room.

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**PIDDINGTON** EPC: . £280,000

This wonderful three bedroom detached family home set in the highly desirable village of Piddington is offered for sale by Jackson Grundy. The home is offered in excellent condition and in brief comprises of a refitted kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, a generous sized and heated conservatory to the rear, which is also used as a dining room, and a cloakroom to the ground floor. The first floor offers three bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**ABINGTON** EPC: C £92,500

Located on a popular road in Abington is this two bedroom apartment, in our opinion ideal for a first time buyer or as an investment opportunity. Accommodation in brief comprises entrance hall, living room, kitchen, bathroom and two bedrooms. The property also benefits from private off road parking to the rear. Call now to arrange an internal inspection.

Abington T: 01604 231111



**GUILSBOROUGH** EPC: C GP £350,000

An individual three bedroom detached bungalow situated on the edge of the village with a panoramic countryside view. It has a large porch, hall, cloakroom, lounge, sun room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, three bedrooms and bathroom. There is a driveway for four/five cars, a large garage and the rear garden with the lovely views. The property has radiator heating, UPVC double glazing and is offered with no onward.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



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**ST JAMES** EPC: E £137,500

A well-presented two bedroom end of terrace Victorian style terrace home. Some of the features comprise refitted kitchen with cream gloss units, refitted three piece bathroom suite, gas radiator heating, exposed floorboards in the lounge/dining room, well-tended courtyard garden with close panelled fencing, brick BBQ and good cosmetic order throughout. Comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, utility area, landing, two bedroom and bathroom. Additional features include double glazed windows and doors and no onward chain.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**KINGSTHORPE** EPC: C £149,995

Offered to the market with no onward chain is this three bedroom extended bungalow situated in the ever popular area of Kingsthorpe. The property comprises of entrance hall, lounge, dining room, three bedrooms bathroom and kitchen. Outside to the rear is a well maintained garden with patio area and the front has off road parking for at least two cars. The bungalow further benefits from gas central heating and UPVC windows and doors (where specified), situated in a popular location means early viewings are highly recommended.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



**WHILTON** EPC: G £325,000

Oak-Lee is a detached four bedroom dormer bungalow constructed in 1971 and benefitting from wonderful countryside views. Inside the accommodation is dated, apart from the UPVC double glazed windows and doors but the rooms are a good size and offer great potential including a large landing area that would convert to a 1st floor bathroom, study etc. The property is offered with no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



**DUSTON** EPC: C £184,995

Jackson Grundy are delighted to offer this three bedroom semi-detached home pleasantly situated in an established location. Comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen leading to extended dining room and refitted modern shower room. Upstairs are three good sized bedrooms. Outside is easy to maintain front and rear gardens with ample off road parking leading to a garage. Benefits include replacement doors, windows, soffits and fascia's, gas radiator heating, wall cavity insulation and has been very well maintained by the current owner from new.

Duston T: 01604 755757



**ECTON** EPC: . £197,500

A fine example of a former Southerby estate cottage; stone built and slightly elevated from the High Street. Smartly presented and much improved by the current owners following a programme of updating and redecoration. The cottage combines many character features with modern day living. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, 12'5 x 11'0' lounge with wood burner, kitchen with integrated appliances and double range style oven, along with a dining room and built-in study space. On the first floor there are two double bedrooms, the master with built-in wardrobes, and a three-piece bathroom. The cottage also benefits from gas fired radiator heating and double-glazing throughout. Outside, the cottage sits behind a small retaining garden with footpath accessing the side entrance door and a timber store, which wraps around to the rear to also access a courtyard garden.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990



**THE MOUNTS** EPC: E £249,995

A beautifully presented Victorian townhouse with accommodation spanning four floors. Entrance hall, sitting room with spiral staircase to the a kitchen/dining room with adjoining cloakroom and utility cupboard. Solid oak floating stairs rise from the sitting room to the first floor which accommodates a refitted bathroom with five piece suite and the master bedroom with dressing area. On the second floor are two further double bedrooms. The rear garden contains decked, gravel and lawn areas and backs onto The Racecourse.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**LITTLE BILLING** EPC: C £295,000

A unique opportunity to acquire this individually built four bedroom detached family home nicely positioned on a no through road. Comprises entrance hall, WC, lounge, well appointed kitchen/breakfast room and a good size dining room. On the first floor the master bedroom has an ensuite shower room, there are three further bedrooms and the family bathroom. The front of the property is gravelled and can accommodate 3-4 cars off road. Windows and doors are double glazing where specified and there is gas radiator heating. Viewings is recommended.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990



**THE HEADLANDS** EPC: E £192,500

Jackson Grundy are pleased to present to the market this three bedroom extended family home with a garage in the sought after Headlands area. The accommodation comprises porch, hall, lounge, dining room and a good sized and well appointed extended kitchen to the ground floor while upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. Further benefits include gas radiator heating and UPVC double glazing. There are gardens to both front and rear. The property is well situated for local schools, parks and shopping. EPC: E

Abington T: 01604 231111



**KINGSLEY** EPC: D £152,500

A well presented two bedroom Victorian terrace property situated in a popular location close to local amenities and offered to the market with no onward chain. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, refitted kitchen and utility room. Upstairs are two good sized bedrooms and a family bathroom with a refitted four piece suite. Outside there is a small front garden and a good size enclosed rear garden. The property benefits from UPVC double glazing (where specified) and gas radiator heating fired via a combination boiler.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



**MOULTON** EPC: D £160,000

A three bedroom bay fronted semi-detached bungalow set back from this roadside in the popular district of Moulton. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, lean-to, three bedrooms and a shower room. Outside low maintenance gravelled front garden with a gate through to the rear garden which extends to over 70ft in length with a detached sectional outbuilding and greenhouse. The property is offered to the market with no onward chain.

Moulton T: 01604 494600

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**HARTWELL** EPC: . £190,000

An immaculate three bedroom family home located in a small cul-de-sac and much improved by the current owners. The accommodation comprises - entrance porch, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, landing with doors to three bedrooms and bathroom. Outside are front and rear gardens. The rear garden with a decked patio area a garage and a small shed located to the left of the property. Internal viewing is highly recommended.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ECTON** EPC: . £234,950

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE IN POSSESSION WE WOULD ADVISE THAT AN OFFER OF £244,950 HAS BEEN RECEIVED FOR THE PROPERTY (49 High Street, Ecton, Northampton NN6 0QA). ANY PERSONS WISHING TO MAKE AN INCREASED OFFER SHOULD NOTIFY THE AGENTS Jackson Grundy OF THEIR BEST OFFER BEFORE EXCHANGE OF CONTRACTS.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990



**OPEN DAY**

**ABINGTON** EPC: . GP £110,000

For sale by sealed bids - open viewing 18th April 2015 11am to 12.30pm and 25th April 2015 12.00pm to 1.15pm. Interested parties should present their offers in writing together with evidence of funds to Jackson Grundy, 343 Wellingborough Road, Northampton, NN1 4ER. 01604 231111 by 11.00 am Saturday 2nd May 2015. - An opportunity has arisen to acquire this three bedroom mid terrace property comprising lounge, dining room, breakfast room, kitchen, wc, cellar, three bedrooms and bathroom. To the rear of the property is an enclosed garden.

Abington T: 01604 231111



**LINKS VIEW** EPC: C £179,995

Jackson Grundy are delighted to offer for sale this three bedroom semi detached bungalow which has been refurbished and extended. Comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen with integrated appliances, dining room, conservatory, wet room and three bedrooms. To the rear is a low maintenance garden with a decked ramp, giving easy access for a wheelchair user to the conservatory. The front garden is mainly gravelled with driveway to the side providing off road parking. Benefits include double glazing, gas radiator heating and no upper chain.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



**NETHER HEYFORD** EPC: .

£174,995

A rarely available three bedroom semi detached bungalow on a good size plot. Requires updating and consists of entrance hall/dining area, lounge, kitchen, inner hall leading to three bedrooms and shower room. Outside are well tended front and rear gardens with off road parking leading to a good size garage. Benefits include replacement doors and windows, gas radiator central heating with refitted 'Worcester' boiler, wall cavity insulation and offered for sale with no upper chain.

Duston T: 01604 755757



**MOULTON** EPC: C

£269,950

A well-presented, rarely available three bedroom semi-detached house situated in a cul-de-sac location. Further benefits include gas radiator central heating with vertical radiators to ground floor rooms, UPVC double glazing and a 100ft (approximate) rear garden. Comprises entrance hall, WC, lounge, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside are well tended front and rear gardens. To the front of the property is a block paved driveway offering off road parking for several vehicles that leads to a detached oversized tandem length garage.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



**KINGSTHORPE** EPC: D £134,995

Jackson Grundy offer to the market a well maintained end terrace property, benefitting from gated off road parking to the side, the property comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, to the first floor is two bedrooms and a family bathroom, located to the rear is a well maintained garden, the property further benefits from UPVC windows and door (where specified) and gas central heating. Early viewings are recommended.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



**DELAPRE** EPC: C £174,995

A traditionally built three bedroom bay fronted property, with an extension to the rear. Some of the many features include - open plan lounge/kitchen/family room, upstairs bathroom and downstairs shower room, good size enclosed garden with patio area, open cast fireplace in the lounge, original fireplaces, picture rails and doors (where specified) and offered in good decorative order. Comprises entrance hall, lounge/kitchen/family room, separate bay fronted dining room, downstairs shower room, landing with doors to three bedrooms and a bathroom. No chain.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**WEST HADDON** EPC: D GP £260,000

A four bedroom detached house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac and within the excellent Gulsborough school catchment area. It has a hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, large conservatory, kitchen, utility room, four bedrooms, en-suite shower room and main bathroom. Outside, the paved garden extends to the rear and both sides plus there is a double garage (currently converted to a playroom) and two parking spaces. The property has double glazing, central heating and is offered with no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



**DUSTON** EPC: . £219,995

A nicely proportioned and well presented three bedroom detached house. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, downstairs w.c., lounge and kitchen/diner to the ground floor. To the first floor there are three bedrooms with en suite to master and a family bathroom. Outside there are well tended front and rear gardens with off road parking and garage. Benefits include double glazing, gas radiator central heating with assisted solar panels and has remaining NHBC.

Duston T: 01604 755757



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**BRIWXORTH** EPC: D £285,000

A four bedroom detached house situated in a small cul-de-sac. The property benefits from gas fired radiator heating and double glazed windows. Comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen and utility room. To the first floor are four bedrooms, the master has an en-suite shower room and there is a separate family bathroom. Outside is lawned frontage, double garage and a two tiered enclosed garden at the rear which is not overlooked from the rear. The upper tier is laid to decking and the lower to lawn.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



**BRIAR HILL** EPC: E £115,500

A wonderful opportunity for any investor or first time purchasers to buy this three bedroom terrace home in Briar Hill. The house offers excellent access to nearby road networks, bus routes and schools. The home in brief comprises two bedrooms, kitchen, dining room and shower room to the ground floor with the third bedroom, lounge and family bathroom to the first floor. Outside offers an enclosed garden to the rear with rear access.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**DUSTON** EPC: . £209,995

Jackson Grundy are delighted to offer this beautifully maintained family home. Comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, refitted kitchen/dining room, conservatory, first floor landing, three bedrooms and a refitted shower room. The garage has been extended to accommodate a utility room to the rear, while still allowing space for a car. There are well maintained gardens to the front and rear, with the latter offering a good degree of privacy. Further benefits include UPVC double glazing and gas radiator heating.

Duston T: 01604 755757



**KINGSTHORPE** EPC: D £184,995

An immaculately presented three/four bedroom chalet style property. Benefits include refitted kitchen, refitted bathroom, and a landscaped rear garden including an artificial lawn. Comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, bedroom four/playroom and a side passage. On the first floor there are three further bedrooms and a recently refitted family bathroom. Outside is a landscaped rear garden, open plan front garden and off road parking. Further benefits include gas radiator heating and UPVC double glazing (where specified).

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



**ABINGTON** EPC: E £285,000

One of a pair of individually built and established bungalows offering deceptively spacious accommodation. The property is entered via a double glazed entrance porch which leads to a substantial hall with doors to all connecting rooms. The living room features a bay window and fireplace with fitted gas fire. There is a fitted kitchen/dining room which opens onto a second reception room enjoying views of the rear garden. In addition there are three sizeable bedrooms and a family bathroom fitted with a four piece suite and a wet room. Outside there are gardens to both front and rear, the latter being of generous proportions, and to the side of the property is a driveway providing ample off road parking leading to a garage with electric roller door. Further benefits include gas radiator heating and majority UPVC double glazing.

Abington T: 01604 231111



**PARKLANDS** EPC: G £117,500



A two bedroom first floor maisonette presented in good order throughout and benefits from a private garden and single garage in near by block. The accommodation comprises entrance hall with stairs rising to an inner hallway and doors to lounge/diner, kitchen, two bedrooms and family bathroom. Further benefits include sought after location and UPVC double glazing.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



**SOUTHBIDGE** EPC: D £120,000

This fantastic two bedroom apartment is offered for sale in the popular area of Southbridge. The home is offered in excellent condition and in brief comprises lounge/dining room with balcony and views over a canal, kitchen, bathroom and two bedrooms. Outside there is allocated parking and communal lawned gardens. The home is also available on a 50% shared ownership basis. The location is wonderful for good access to the nearby town centre, supermarket, bus routes in and out of town, good road network and access to the main station.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



**GOLDINGS** EPC: . £114,995

An established terrace family home offered to the market with no upper chain. The spacious accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, sitting / dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and a family bathroom. A block paved frontage provides off road parking, while a well tended rear garden offers a good degree of privacy. Further benefits include gas radiator heating and UPVC double glazing throughout.

Weston Favell T: 01604 784990



**LONG BUCKBY** EPC: D £179,995

A three bedroom semi-detached house with a large private rear garden and scope for a driveway and extension subject to planning permission. It has a hall, cloakroom, lounge, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, three bedrooms and bathroom. There is UPVC double glazing, radiator heating and is being offered with no upward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



**THE HEADLANDS** EPC: E £186,995

A beautifully presented 1930's semi detached home which has been extended to the ground floor to provide a kitchen and utility room. Comprises entrance porch, hallway, dining room, lounge, utility room and kitchen. To the first floor are three bedrooms and a modern bathroom with fitted electric shower. Externally there is a block paved front garden providing off road parking for two vehicles and a beautiful enclosed landscaped garden to the rear. The property benefits from double glazing and gas radiator heating.

Abington T: 01604 231111

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NO CHAIN

**ROADE** EPC: E £175,000

Jackson Grundy are delighted to offer this three bedroom home set in a popular cul-de-sac location. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, lounge with feature fireplace, kitchen/breakfast room, two bedrooms downstairs and a refitted three piece shower room. On to the first floor landing is the main bedroom with velux windows to the rear. Additional features include gas radiator central heating, double glazed windows/doors, UPVC fascias, well-tended gardens and an enclosed covered car port. Viewing is recommended.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



NO CHAIN

**SEMI LONG** EPC: C GP £175,000

A substantial town house with the potential of becoming a house of multiple occupancy (subject to necessary permissions being granted). Additionally, the property has planning approval for one bedroom dwelling to the rear garden (application No N/2014/0686). Comprises entrance hall, living room, dining room, lower ground floor with kitchen and stairs down to basement area with two further storage rooms. On the first floor are two double bedrooms, a bathroom and separate WC. On the second floor is a further bedroom. No chain.

Northampton T: 01604 633122

**OVERSTONE** EPC: E £299,950

A spacious and well-presented four bedroom detached property situated in a quiet cul-de-sac. The property boasts separate reception rooms, a refitted kitchen-breakfast room, master bedroom with en-suite and large secluded rear garden. Comprises entrance hall, refitted cloakroom/WC, lounge, dining room, refitted kitchen-breakfast room, four bedrooms with an en-suite to master and family bathroom suite. Outside are generous established gardens to front and rear with the rear, double garage in excess of 31ft in length.

Moulton T: 01604 494600

**ABINGTON**

£199,995

Pleasantly situated on a sought after tree lined avenue just a stones throw from the vibrant Wellingborough Road, is this traditional red brick townhouse. Offered for sale with no onward chain. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room/breakfast room, kitchen, rear lobby wc and lean to, whilst upstairs are three bedrooms, bathroom and further wc. Externally there are low maintenance gardens to both front and rear. The property benefits from a cellar, gas radiator heating and double glazing where specified.

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EPC: D £274,995

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EPC: .

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Thursday, April 23, 2015



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## WHAT'S ON ROUND-UP

# Chance to win tickets to RHS Malvern show

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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The Northants Herald & Post has teamed up with organisers of the RHS Malvern to give readers the chance to win three pairs of tickets to go to the show from May 7-10.

The RHS Malvern Spring Festival this year celebrates its 30th birthday, making it the oldest major RHS Show after RHS Chelsea Flower Show. With a horticultural banquet of Show Gardens and more RHS medals expected than ever before, visitors will be treated to an abundance of beautifully designed spaces and perfect planting schemes.

RHS Malvern Spring Festival is renowned for its top medal-winning gardens and this year is guaranteed to be no exception. Festival favourites like Villaggio Verde, Outer Spaces Design and Keyscape Landscapes are all returning to vie for that all important RHS Gold Medal and highly coveted Best In Show.

Doreen Smillie-Grey, RHS Malvern Spring Festival Manager, said: "We are so excited about all our Show Garden categories this year.

Considering we have been doing this for 30 years, we never cease to be amazed by the exceptional standards and creativity shown by our designers."

To be in with a chance of winning these tickets all you have to do is answer the question which will be tweeted out on Friday.

The correct answers will go into a hat and drawn out at random. So follow us on Twitter @NorthamptonUK to be in with a chance.



WIN: Your chance to  
win tickets to the  
Spring Festival at  
Malvern



## County's arts cinema listings this week

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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Here are the listings for Northamptonshire arts cinemas this week:

### Errol Flynn Filmhouse

■ Wild Tales

Thursday

■ Still Life

Thursday

■ Woman in Gold (pictured)

Maria Altmann, an octogenarian Jewish refugee, takes on the Austrian government to recover artwork she believes rightfully belongs to her family.

Friday - Wednesday

■ While We're Young

Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday

■ Met Opera Live: Mascagni's Cavalleria Rusticana / Leocavallo's Pagliacci

Saturday

■ Twin Peaks: Fire Walk with Me

Sunday

To book tickets call 01604 624811

### Lings Forum

■ The Face of an Angel

Thursday

■ It Follows

Thursday and Friday

■ A Little Chaos

Two talented landscape artists become romantically entangled while building a garden in King Louis XIV's palace at Versailles.

Friday - Wednesday

■ Spongebob Squarepants: Sponge Out of Water

Saturday and Sunday

■ Boyhood

Monday

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## WHAT'S ON ROUND-UP

**WHITNEY:** Wanna dance with somebody?



# The time of your life with Whitney Huston

BY LAWRENCE JOHN  
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**The award-winning production Whitney - Queen Of The Night comes to Royal & Derngate on Thursday, April 30.**

It features a stellar line-up, with rising West End star Rebecca Freckleton who delivers a powerhouse and breathtaking performance as

Whitney Huston. The musical will take audiences on a magical rollercoaster ride through three decades of classic hits.

These will include I Wanna Dance With Somebody, One Moment in Time, I'm Every Woman, My Love is Your Love, So Emotional Baby, Run to You, Saving All My Love, I Will Always Love You and many more.

This show is a stunning cel-

ebration of the music and life of one of the greatest singers of our time.

Whitney - Queen Of The Night illuminates the Derngate stage on Thursday, April 30 at 7.30pm.

Tickets for Whitney are priced at £23 and can be purchased by calling Box Office on 01604 624 811 or online at [www.royalandderngate.co.uk](http://www.royalandderngate.co.uk).

## Majesty of King John in Northampton

To mark the 800th anniversary year of the Magna Carta, Royal & Derngate are staging Shakespeare's King John at Northampton's Holy Sepulchre Church, from April 24- May 16 in a co-production with Shakespeare's Globe.

Taking the title role of King John is Jo Stone-Fewings, whose RSC credits include The Winter's Tale, Twelfth Night and The Taming of the Shrew. Taking the role of Constance is Tanya Moodie who played opposite Lenny Henry in Fences (Bath Theatre Royal, West End) to



critical acclaim

Cast as Cardinal Pandulph, Joseph Marcell but will perhaps be best known as Geoffrey Butler from the US TV series The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air. Laurence Belcher,

best known for his role as the young Charles Xavier in the movie X-Men First Class, appears as both Arthur and Prince Henry.

Barbara Marten will play Eleanor of Aquitaine and the cast is completed with completed by Simon Coates, Aruhan Galieva, Mark Meadows, Ciaran Owens, Daniel Rabin and Giles Terera.

Tickets cost from £10 to £29 and can be booked by calling the box office on 01604 624811 or online at [www.royalandderngate.co.uk](http://www.royalandderngate.co.uk).

## A night of Dirty Dancing at the Castle

Relive the passion and the romance of the film which captured the heart of a generation in A night of Dirty Dancing at The Castle in Wellingborough on Saturday at 7.30pm.

Recast and re-scripted for 2015, it's all down to Kellerman's end of season show. Audiences can revel in the moments they loved, the memories they made and music that's resonated throughout the years including She's Like the Wind, Big Girls Don't Cry, Hey Baby,

Wipeout, Do You Love Me, Be My Baby, Hungry Eyes and, of course, the Oscar-winning (I've Had) The Time of My Life.

This timeless, theatrical treat will transport audiences back to the summer of '63, to relive Patrick Swayze and Jennifer Grey's sizzling performance in this coming of age romance.

Tickets cost £19 (£18) and can be purchased by calling the Box Office on 01933 270 007 or online at [www.thecastle.org.uk](http://www.thecastle.org.uk)

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### SATURDAY

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### SUNDAY

#### **Cinderella at VUE Northampton**

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## Lord of the Dance

Michael Flatley's 'Lord of the Dance: Dangerous Games' and team of world-class dancers sold out glamourous cities all over the world and 'wowed' audiences in the West End.

As the Milton Keynes Theatre was reminded. Relentlessly, with deafening voiceover. For ten minutes. The show kicks off with a strange projection of an enormous devilish face cackling at 'Little Spirit' - an eye-wateringly flexible sprite in a felt dinosaur jumpsuit.

This formed the basis of the show's plot - a battle between good and evil fought with a tin whistle, beat-dropping robots and Irish dancing. Flatley's dancers, at least, lived up to the hype. The master himself didn't make an appearance but his dedicated dance company hardly need babysitting.

It is a shame Flatley chose to back-drop his show with distracting and creepy projections, ranging from unicorns munching on colourful daisies to flying strings of red Celtic knots.

JENNA HUTBER

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## MOTORINGNEWS

# Orders open in the UK for VW's new Golf Estates

UK order books have opened for Volkswagen's trio of hot Golf Estates – the Golf R and GTD Estates and the Golf Alltrack – ahead of first deliveries in August.

The R and GTD Estates boast all the attributes of their popular hatchback counterparts, with like-for-like trims, but bootspace is increased from 380 litres to 605 litres – and up to 1,620 litres when the rear seats are folded flat. Power outputs range from 110 PS in Alltrack which is available with three engines, through 184 PS in the GTD to 300 PS in the range-topping R model. The Alltrack and the R Estate also gain 4MOTION four-wheel drive.

Like the Golf R hatch, the Golf R Estate is powered by a 2.0-litre four-cylinder turbocharged TSI petrol engine. Maximum power is 300 PS from 5,500 to 6,200 rpm while maximum torque of 380 Nm is available from 1,800 up to 5,500 rpm. In this new car, standstill to 50 mph takes just 3.8 seconds and top speed is electronically limited to 155 mph.



**ORDER BOOKS OPEN:** First deliveries of new VW Golf Estates in August

Style and spec-wise, the Golf R Estate follows all the cues of its hatchback sibling, though the Estate is only available with a six-speed DSG gearbox.

The Golf GTD Estate is, quite

simply, a booted version of Volkswagen's iconic long-distance sports cruiser. The new estate model has at its heart a 2.0-litre common rail TDI engine which produces 184 PS from

3,500 to 4,000 rpm. Maximum torque is 280 Nm from 2,500 to 5,000 rpm. The benchmark 0 to 62 mph sprint takes 7.9 seconds, with a top speed of 143 mph. Yet the Golf GTD Estate lives up to its benchmark economy, returning 64.2 mpg on the combined cycle, with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of just 115 g/km. A six-speed manual gearbox is standard, while a six-speed DSG version is available at £1,415.

The Golf Alltrack follows in the footsteps of the Passat Alltrack which first went on sale in the UK in 2012 and closes the gap between the on- and off-road worlds, both visually and technically. It features a standard 4MOTION all-wheel drive system, off-road driving profile, higher ground clearance, and is styled to match its off-road credentials with flared wheelarches and side sills for added protection, as well as newly designed bumpers. Three engines are available for UK customers. These comprise a 1.6-litre TDI 110 PS, 2.0-litre TDI 150 PS and 2.0-litre TDI 184 PS.

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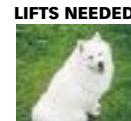
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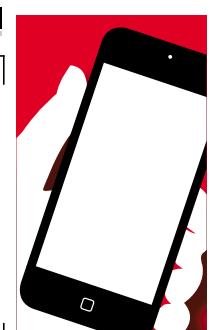
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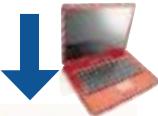
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# Herald & Post Sport



## SPORTS SHORTS

**NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL:** Corby Town will travel to Poole Town on Saturday for a mouth watering winner takes all title showdown on the final day of the Southern Premier League season.

Poole are currently top of the table but are only in front of the Steelmen on goal difference with both sides locked on 91 points.

It means Corby need to win to seal the league title and the only automatic promotion spot to Conference South/North level, with the runners-up having to pick themselves up again for a play-off campaign.

Meanwhile, Brackley Town took a huge step towards Conference North survival with a 2-1 away win at already relegated Hyde on Saturday. Stuart Pierpoint gave Town the lead before the hosts hit back after 15 minutes through Ryan Masterson.

Former Cobblers David Moyo won it for Brackley who were aided by Lowestoft Town who beat relegation rivals Colwyn Bay 1-0.

With just one game to play, Town find themselves two points and one spot above the relegation zone, with Bay now occupying the first spot below the trapdoor.

Brackley, who have 44 points, host Hednesford on the final day on Saturday while Colwyn Bay will travel to Worcester City.

Stalybridge Celtic are one place above Brackley on the same number of points, so aren't yet safe either.

**RUGBY UNION:** Old Northamptonians lifted the Alliance Cup after beating Daventry 39-15 at Franklin's Gardens on Tuesday.

The Midlands One East runners up will now be gunning for promotion this weekend when they host Midlands One West side Worcester Wanderers in a play-off.

On Saturday, a depleted line-up were thrashed 82-10 by Derby on the last day of the league season as ON looked ahead to the more important one-off clashes.

Meanwhile, South West One East runners-up Tewcestersians were also beaten on the final day as a changed side lost 47-17 to Devizes.

They now face Ivybridge in a promotion play-off while Wellingborough, who are also in play-off action, travel to Coalville after finishing second in Midlands Two East South.

**BOXING:** Far Cotton ABC are celebrating after two boxers were crowned as Tri Nations champions.

The event brings together the best from England, Scotland and Wales to determine overall champions from Great Britain – so having two successes is a tremendous achievement for Far Cotton.

Carl Fall, fresh from winning the English national youth championships and being picked for England, beat Scottish champion Kevin McMaster in his final at 64kg.

There was also victory for Molly Perkins who saw off Adrianna Finch at 48kg.

**FORMULA ONE:** Lewis Hamilton said he is enjoying battling with Ferrari as well as teammate Nico Rosberg after making it three victories from four races this season at the Bahrain Grand Prix on Sunday.

The Mercedes driver looks odds on to defend his drivers' title after a blistering start to the campaign, with Rosberg coming third in Bahrain behind the Ferrari of Kimi Raikkonen.

Hamilton is already 27 points clear of second placed Rosberg at the top of the standings with Brackley based Mercedes 52 points clear of Ferrari as they seek to defend their constructors' championship.

Ferrari's Sebastian Vettel won the second race of the season in Malaysia though and Raikkonen splitting the Mercedes duo in Bahrain has given them food for thought.

"It's great to have a fight with Ferrari as well as Nico," said Hamilton. Silverstone based Force India picked up four points in Bahrain with Sergio Perez finishing in eighth position to leave him 13th in the standings overall.

His team-mate Nico Hulkenburg finished outside of the points in 13th and is in tenth place overall. Force are eighth in the constructors' race.



**TON UP:** David Willey celebrates reaching three figures against Gloucestershire in the County Championship. Northamptonshire (333 & 416-8d) drew with Gloucestershire (296 & 267-2).  
Picture: Andy Kearns

## Centurion admits he fell out of love with cricket

### CRICKET

BY MATT WRIGHT  
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**David Willey starred in Northamptonshire's draw with Gloucestershire in their opening match of the new cricket season but admitted his injury problems last year made him fall out of love with the game.**

A back problem seriously limited the all-rounder's impact during what turned out to be a chastening season for Northants, who were relegated from Division One of the County Championship.

Now free of trouble, the 25-year-old looked back to his best at Wantage Road as he hammered his maiden century in first-class cricket with a breathtaking 104 not out off just 83 balls.

He also made an impact with the ball with four wickets in Gloucestershire's first innings including a burst of three in four

balls that saw him run through their tail.

On his difficult 2014 he said: "It was a disastrous year, personally and for the team."

"Last year, without realising with the injuries and things, I fell out of love with the game really."

"I had a break at the end of last year where I played no cricket and I only started after Christmas where I found my love for it again so I've been hungry to get out there."

"It's one of those things with the way the season was going and then going away in the winter where it just sort of rolls on and you go into a bit of a downward spiral."

"You don't realise anything's different until you have a bit of time away and you go 'actually, I wasn't enjoying my cricket,' so it's worked out nicely and hopefully I can keep myself fit."

Despite Willey impressing, Gloucestershire were able to comfortably bat through the final day on a wicket that seemed to flatten

out as the game progressed.

But this was a promising start for Northants, who twice came back from dicey positions whilst batting as they recovered from being reduced to 162-6 and 110-5 in their two innings.

There were excellent knocks of 95 from wicketkeeper Adam Rossington and 80 from Rob Keogh while Muhammad Azharullah's bowling looked sharp throughout.

On his century during the game which began on April 12, Willey said: "I've had 12 first-class 50s prior to that and sort of thrown them away so it was nice to get across the line."

"I think it was about 22 balls that my second 50 came from so I was pretty pleased to get there and hopefully I can score some more for the team this year."

"We were in a tricky situation in our second innings but a good partnership between Rob and Josh Cobb and then myself and Rory [Kleinvelt] gave us a big

enough lead to make sure they couldn't have a shot at it."

"You could see it was pretty flat and it was hard work for us so if we had left them 350 to chase they would probably have knocked them off."

Northamptonshire were not in action at the weekend but will return to County Championship duties on Sunday, when they will travel to Leicestershire for the start of their second four day contest.

The county have instead been playing a three day second XI game against Derbyshire, which is due to conclude today.

Kyle Coetzer blasted a superb unbeaten knock of 250 on the opening day in batting friendly conditions at Wantage Road.

He claimed two sixes and 38 fours in his 255-ball innings which is believed to be the highest-ever individual score for the second string.

Pace bowler Maurice Chambers is playing in the game after returning from injury.



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# Talks with midfield pair are underway

## COBBLERS

BY CIARAN THOMAS

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**Chris Wilder revealed he has opened talks with midfield duo Jason Taylor and Joel Byrom as he begins to shape his Northampton Town squad for next season.**

Both players initially joined the Cobblers on loan – Byrom from Preston in August and Taylor from Cheltenham at the beginning of January – before signing permanent contracts until the end of 2014/15.

The pair have sparked a good partnership in central midfield during the Cobblers' revival in the second half of the current campaign and Wilder is eager to keep them at Sixfields.

The boss is set to meet chairman David Cardoza today to discuss his summer plans and said more talks will be underway shortly with the full retained list set to be announced at the

end of the season.

"We've talked to a couple, we've talked to Jason Taylor and Joel Byrom," said Wilder. "We've opened initial talks with a couple instead of doing it right at the end of the season but there are tough decisions to be made and we'll take everyone on an individual case."

"There's still something to play for but we feel we've got the nucleus of a decent side going forward and part of that is adding to it permanently in terms of Jason and Joel, who have been outstanding since they've come to the club."

"I've got a meeting with the chairman, talking about budgets and potential targets. It's just lining a few things up, what our plans are for next year."

"Always as a manager you're thinking short, medium and long term – short term the end of the season, medium term what happens in the summer and long term where we

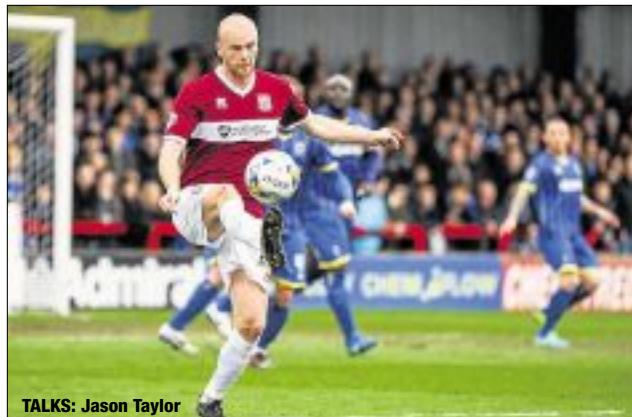
want to be so we'll keep going with that."

Northampton travel to promoted Burton Albion on Saturday and Wilder said the Brewers' progress over the past three years is something the Cobblers should be looking to emulate.

Despite being one of League Two's smaller clubs, Burton reached the play-offs in each of the past two seasons before going one better this time around by clinching automatic promotion with victory at Morecambe last weekend.

After keeping Northampton in the Football League after inheriting a side embroiled in a relegation battle, Wilder's men have flirted with the play-offs in his first full season in charge and he believes that Burton have shown that if you keep moving forwards, eventually the only way is up.

Albion are two points clear on top of League Two and are champions



TALKS: Jason Taylor

elect with just a couple of matches to play, with the Cobblers outside of the play-offs by four points.

"We're looking forward to Saturday, it's going to be a great occasion," said Wilder. "They've done fantastically well and congratulations to everyone at that football club. They have been consistent right the way through the season."

"I think they've been building and if you look at teams like ourselves and Plymouth, that's what we're trying to do. We're not awash with cash but we've got a competitive budget."

"It's taken them two or three years to get their squad right. They've had

a season of progression and they've gone from losing to Bradford in the [play-off] semi-final, losing to Fleetwood in the final to getting automatic promotion so it's a good model to go by."

"We all have our own identity and own way of going about things but if you improve every year and keep climbing the table, you get out the league."

"That's what we're looking to do. We've gone from a position last year to a position this year and we want to better our position next year."

• The Cobblers have released injury hit Lewis Hornby.

## Comment: Cobblers take revenge on Johnson

## COBBLERS

BY TOM REED

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*Tom Reed reflects on Northampton's victory over Gary Johnson's Cheltenham – which just about keeps slim play-off hopes alive.*

Cobblers got one over hated ex-manager Gary Johnson with a 2-0 win against relegation threatened Cheltenham Town on Saturday. Chris Wilder's side killed two birds with one stone by seeing off the Robins and keeping Northampton's slim promotion hopes alive.

The Cobblers, in tenth place in League Two, sit four points off the play-offs needing wins at champions elect Burton Albion and at home to promotion hopefuls Wycombe Wanderers to cast them back into the Wembley mix.

In truth, the pressure is off with Luton Town and Newport County in better positions to make a late charge and Northampton's good showings against Oxford and Cheltenham mean less when they flunked the crunch play-off test versus Cambridge United.

Yet the Cheltenham victory was reward for fans who have backed the team in numbers and revenge on Johnson, the manager sacked at Sixfields in 2011 after only eight months and with Northampton 20th in the division.



UNHAPPY RETURN: Gary Johnson

Ex-Yeovil man Johnson was unsure of the reception he'd get at Sixfields on his first managerial return but was made to know the depth of ill-feeling in no uncertain terms by a vociferous home support that came up with several vitriolic chants in his honour.

Unfortunately for Johnson, his team, replete with two former Cobblers in Kane Ferdinand and Shaun Harrad, failed to put in the sort of valiant all-action performance you'd expect from a team with three games to save their season.

Instead, both sides settled into a leisurely end-of-term rhythm with Northampton threatening the Cheltenham goal on the odd occasion via an Evan Horwood free kick struck over and a Diego De Girolamo pot shot saved by Trevor Carson.

Northampton had named an unchanged side to the one that drew 1-1 with Oxford United last Tuesday night. That meant forward starts for Ivan Toney and De Girolamo while Lawson D'Ath, John-Joe O'Toole and Ricky Holmes made up an attack-minded midfield.

Mathieu Manset, the Robins' man mountain, is no stranger to Sixfields having scored the winner for Hereford United when the Bulls came back from 3-0 down to stun the Cobblers 4-3 in 2010 but the Frenchman struggled to recreate that impact.

The second half had more zip with Cobblers looking to undo Cheltenham down the wings. Holmes, beginning to look like his old self after injury, contributed some smart work four minutes after the restart to tee up De Girolamo, who fluffed his lines.

Yet it was the Robins who should have snatched the lead with a well executed Joe Hanks long-ranger which clattered the Cobblers' bar. O'Toole wanted a little too much time with the ball running to Hanks, who like his namesake Tom went big with a right-footed curler which Shwan Jalal was relieved to hear ping off the woodwork.

The scare enlivened Northampton who claimed the opener moments later when D'Ath dashed up the left touchline before sending over a well placed left-footed cross for Toney to prod home in front of Sixfields' North Stand.

The goal showcased D'Ath's tenacity and

Toney's pace through the six-yard box to pleasing effect. Johnson meanwhile would have considered retreating to his dugout as was often the case at the end of his Sixfields tenure but there was no escaping a particularly popular chant about the size of his skull.

One player with a big head would have been Marc Richards, his welcome return as a substitute for De Girolamo on 67 minutes drawing warm applause from the home support.

Richards maintained his second placed League Two top-scorer position despite being ruled out for six to eight weeks and made good on his intention to top the chart come season's end by notching in the 70th minute here.

He completed a double step-over at pace before drilling the ball low to Carson's left to remind those in attendance of his above-average technique for this level.

The goal, on Richards' 100th appearance for the club, was his 18th of the season, one behind Matt Tubbs of Portsmouth while Toney's strike brought him up to double figures for the season in League and Cup.

If Northampton can add some quality to the obvious attributes of Richards, Holmes, D'Ath and Toney next season then there's every hope of going into next summer on the back of a promotion. Cheltenham meanwhile may not be "on the beach" just yet but I'd be checking their players' holdalls for sun cream after this pallid performance.

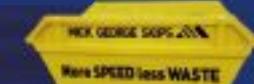
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# Best of English on MK collision course

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**Tom Wood is desperate for Saints to book a home Premiership semi-final as soon as possible with Northampton set to face Saracens in the 'best of English' clash at a packed stadium on Saturday.**

The reigning Premiership champions will return to Milton Keynes for a repeat of last year's final with a six point gap at the top of the table and just three games left to play.

A top two finish and with it a crucial home clash in the final four could be guaranteed if results go Northampton's way this weekend with winless basement boys London Welsh then due at Franklin's Gardens before an East Midlands derby away day at Leicester Tigers to wrap up the regular season.

Flanker Wood is eager to cement Saints' spot in the top two to allow maximum time to rotate and rest players before the all-important climax of the season.

Saracens, however, will have other ideas and as they currently sit second the MK showdown will be a top-of-the-table clash – meaning the game's billing as the 'best of English' is justified.

"It'll be really nice to not have to go to Leicester on the last day with everything on the line and massive pressure," said Wood.

"It would be nice to go and put pressure on them from the comfort of a home semi-final."

"Also, we'd like to play London Welsh with the ability to mix the side up and rest the right players that might need it."

"If we lose and lose badly at the weekend we're under desperate pressure to regain some momentum and form."

"So a good win against a team like Saracens just gives us the luxury of rotating a couple of players, solidifying that home semi-final nice and early and the chance to build some momentum going into hopefully a semi and a final."

Saints head into the clash after a weekend off following their European Champions Cup quarter final defeat to Clermont Auvergne, who also beat Saracens in the last four.

Wood said the break had given Saints the chance to freshen up, and revealed that the pain of watching their rivals playing in the latter stages of the European competition has given them extra incentive for Saturday.

"You don't want weeks off at this time of year," said Wood. "It's tough to watch Sarries and the like competing in semi-finals while we're sat at home."

"It's a bit of a catch 22 as it's the only chance we get to have a weekend off and to freshen up so you've got to take that when you can but you don't want to be watching semi-finals, so it's a little extra incentive and extra hurt and anger to put in ahead of the weekend."

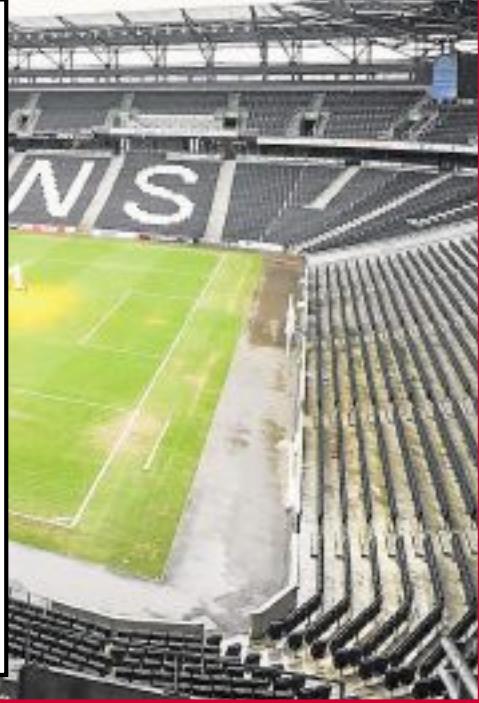
Saturday's game looks on course to break the attendance record for stadiummk, pictured, with the match shifted down the road from Northampton as part of the venue's preparations for hosting three Rugby World Cup matches later this year.

The previous record crowd of 26,969 was set in August when football tenants MK Dons stunned Manchester United with a 4-0 win in the League Cup.

HRH The Princess Royal will be attending the game in her capacity as patron of charity Transaid and Saints skipper Dylan Hartley believes that a good atmosphere and strong local support will be crucial.

"It's not too far down the road from us and obviously we played our Heineken Cup quarter and semi finals there and they were good for us," he said.

"We've got a lot of local support there and it will be a home game for us. Last time we played Saracens there we actually lost, there was a kick at the end which hit the crossbar so that was a loss that we'd like to put right."



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